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# The Hongkong Telegraph.

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## JAPANESE VESSEL ABANDONED.

## KINKO MARU SINKING OFF ROCKS.

## HEAVY FOG CAUSES FURTHER CASUALTIES.

## "STANLEY" ASHORE.

The mishap to the s.s. Kinko Maru, which went on the rocks near Turnabout Island, is more serious than was at first supposed, and it is now feared that the vessel will become a total loss. Badly holed forward as the result of the crash in the fog, the vessel is reported to be gradually sinking and it is also stated that the crew have already abandoned the steamer, and have put off for shore in their own boats. They will, it is presumed, head for Foochow, and there is little fear of casualty.

As far as can be ascertained, the Kinko Maru has been so badly damaged that little hope of successful salvage is entertained.

### "Stanley" Hard Aground.

In the thick fog which enveloped the waters of the Colony this morning, the Government launch Stanley, while on her way to Taipo, went hard ashore at Cape Collinson. In addition to the fog, the master had the additional difficulty to contend with that he was travelling during the dark hours.

The launch commenced her trip to Taipo, at the request of H.E. the Governor, at about 3 a.m. and after two hours travelling, in which time she had only reached a point a mile off, struck the harbour, successfully negotiating Leemun Pass, the launch appears to have got off her course and gone hard ashore near Cape Collinson.

The first news of the casualty was brought in by a police patrol launch, and a Boarding Officer from the Harbour Department went immediately to the scene, followed later by the Harbour Master, Lieut.-Commdr. G. F. Hols, in the launch Victoria.

The Kinsing is leaving to render what assistance is possible this afternoon. Information is scanty concerning the grounding, but it is understood that the Stanley is badly damaged.

The Dutch steamer Tilpanas, on arrival from the Straits, reports that the fog signal at Waglan was heard very indistinctly to seaward and was not distinguishable at two miles. The signal was, however, very clear to landward.

### Delayed by Fog.

The s.s. On Lee failed to arrive on time last night, and it was thought that she had stranded. However, on arriving at 11.30 a.m. to-day, the master reported that it had taken 12 hours to make the passage from Kongmoon to Wang-moon, the vessel having been compelled to anchor no less than six times to await clear weather.

The s.s. Norviken carrying the paper mail from London, dated January 26th, arrived during the forenoon, two days overdue. She reports delay owing to bad weather and fog.

## STILL FEWER OUT OF WORK.

## REDUCTION WEEK BY WEEK CONTINUES.

London, Feb. 28. The latest official report gives the total number of unemployed as 1,186,700. This is 28,072 less than the week before and 59,859 less than a year ago.—British Wireless.

## EARL JELLINE.

## PRESIDENT OF THE BRITISH LEGION.

London, Feb. 28. Earl Jellicoe has accepted the Presidency of the British Legion as the branches have overwhelmingly voted in approval of the Executive Council's offer.—Reuter.

## MONROE DOCTRINE DENOUNCED.

## ARGENTINE PROTEST TO THE LEAGUE.

## "HISTORICAL TRUTH."

Geneva, Feb. 28. An echo of the recent Pan-American Conference at Havana was heard by the League of Nations Committee on arbitration and security, to-day.

The delegate of the Argentine Government drew attention to the Monroe Doctrine and objected "in the interest of historical truth" to the wording of Article 21 of the Covenant, which states:—"Nothing in the Covenant shall be deemed to affect the validity of international engagements, such as treaties of arbitration and regional understandings like the Monroe Doctrine for maintaining peace."

The Argentine delegate described the Monroe Doctrine as a unilateral political declaration by the United States which had never been explicitly approved by the other American countries. It was therefore not a regional understanding. It was unequal; hence his protest.—Reuter.

## U.S. CLERGY WAIT ON PRESIDENT.

## DESIRE HIM TO VETO NAVY PROGRAMME.

## "WILL ALARM WORLD."

Washington, Feb. 28.

President Coolidge received a delegation of clergymen to-day who came to urge him to veto the naval programme if the Bill passed the House of Representatives as it would alarm the world.

Mr. Coolidge, in reply, said the programme was moderate and could not alarm other countries.—Reuter's American Service.

Shipyards Cannot Build in Time.

Washington, Feb. 28.

The Naval Committee of the House of Representatives has eliminated the requirement in the Bill increasing the Naval Appropriations, that the new cruisers should be completed within six years.

The proviso is struck out as many American shipyards will be unable to submit tenders for completion within that time.—Reuter's American Service.

## NEW CANTON POLICE CHIEF.

## GENERAL TANG YING-WAH RESIGNS FOR NEW POST.

Canton, Feb. 29.

General Li Chai-sum has approved the resignation of General Tang Yin-wah, the Commissioner of Police.

General Tang Shih-chang, the Garrison Commander of Canton, has been appointed to take charge of the Police Administration temporarily. The new Police Commissioner will assume his office to-morrow morning.

General Tang Yin-wah, on resigning from the Police Commissionership, will devote his entire attention to the 5th Army, of which he is appointed Commander. This Army was formerly under General Li Fuk-lun. General Tang may take his Army to the East River to carry out the anti-Red campaign there.—*Nam Chung Pao*.

## RAIN AND FOG PREDICTED.

To-day's Observatory report states:—"The anticyclone is now central near Tokyo. Conditions over China are uncertain. The forecast up to noon to-morrow is: North or variable winds; moderate to light; overcast, rain, fog.

## SERIOUS FRAUDS ALLEGED.

## INTERPRETERS' PART IN TRANSACTION

## TWO MINORS AND MORTGAGE ON PROPERTY.

## IMPORTANT APPEAL.

Allegations that two solicitor's interpreters were paid \$48,000 to arrange an estate settlement, and that one of them withheld the fact that the two youths concerned were under age in order that no hitch should occur, were made in the Court of Appeal this morning, when Mr. Eldon Potter K.C., opened an appeal against a judgment delivered by Mr. Justice Wood, who refused to grant an injunction restraining the mortgagees from disposing of property until the mortgage of £50,000 had been paid.

The appellants were Loo Kwong-lam, 57, Caine Road and Loo Kwong-hin, of the same address, an infant and the respondents were Li Koon-chung and Wing Fat-shing, 81, Wing Lok Street, and Kan Tong-po, the chief manager of the Bank of East Asia Ltd., 10 Des Voeux Road Central.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., together with Mr. H. G. Sheldon, appeared on behalf of the appellants and Mr. F. C. Jenkin was for the respondents.

The respondents, formerly defendants, alleged that the plaintiffs had fraudulently represented themselves to be adults.

### Sixteen Sons.

Mr. Potter, outlining the circumstances, said the father of the plaintiffs, Wan Lo-kau, lived in Macao and died on December 15th, 1907, leaving 16 sons, of whom the first plaintiff Lam was born on April 25, 1904 to the sixth concubine, being the 14th son of the father. He was the son of the ninth concubine and the 16th son, being born on August 2, 1905. They were both partly educated at St. Stephen's College in Hongkong. Their Lordships would therefore see that on February 10, 1925, when the mortgage was put through, the age of the first plaintiff was 20 years 9½ months, while the second was 19½ years old.

Deceased was the author of a Scripture Catechism for the young and of Notes on the 1st Corinthians, both in Chinese.

Mrs. Banister, who is also well remembered in Hongkong, was a daughter of Mr. T. Grime, of Preston, Lancashire.

## SHIPPING COMPANY PROSECUTED.

## ALLEGED TRANSPORT OF OPIUM.

The Hoi On Steamship Company, of 49, Connaught Road Central, were summoned by the Import and Export Department this morning before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, for using their steamship Hoi Cheung to carry 720 tuls of raw opium and 125 tuls of prepared opium.

The master of the vessel, Chan Kai-yu, was also summoned for unlawfully using the ship for the importation, carriage, or conveyance of opium.

Mr. M. M. Watson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the steamship Company and Mr. W. D. Owen, of Messrs. Hastings, Dennis and Bowley, for the Captain of the ship. The prosecution was in the hands of Mr. G. R. Sayer.

In answer to his Sayer, Mr. Sayer agreed that at the time of the seizure the ship was not in fact in the control of the Hoi On Steamship Company, but that she had been chartered to someone else.

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Mr. Watson pointed out that the ship was chartered to someone else at the time of the seizure. The owners, however, had since had the ship seized through the Admiralty Court and at the moment, the translation of the Charter Party was taking place. He asked the Magistrate to grant an adjournment until the translation could be brought before the Court.

Mr. Owen stated that counsel would be instructed in regard to his client.

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## DEATH OF THE REV. DR. BANISTER.

## FORMER ARCHDEACON OF HONGKONG.

## C. M. S. MISSIONARY.

London, Feb. 28. The death is announced of the Right Rev. Dr. William Banister, Rector of Selkham, Sussex.

The deceased was the first Bishop of Kwangtung and had been associated with missionary work in China for 43 years.—Reuter.

The Right Rev. William Banister, D.D., will be remembered by old residents of the Colony as a former Archdeacon of Hongkong, an office which he held from 1902 to 1909. Born at Walton-le-Dale, Lancashire, on May 31st, 1855, he was educated privately and at the Church Missionary College, Islington.

He was ordained a deacon by the Bishop of London in 1879, a priest in the following year, and was a curate at Calderstone, Blackburn, until he entered the missionary field under the C.M.S. in 1880. His first charge in China was at Foochow and Kuchong, under the Fukien Mission, and he remained there from 1880 to 1889. From the latter year until 1896, he was Principal of the C.M.S. Theological College of Foochow.

Service in Hongkong.

It was in 1897 that the deceased came to Hongkong, in the capacity of Secretary of the C.M.S. He was later appointed Archdeacon and during 1906-07, he was Commissary of the Archbishop of Canterbury during the vacancy in the See of Victoria. In 1909, he was elevated Bishop of Kwangtung and Hunan, and he held this high office until 1925, when he retired from the China mission field and proceeded to England.

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## WHARF COMPANY PROGRESS.

## MARKE INCREASE IN BUSINESS.

## BIG MODERN GODOWN AND TIMBER YARD.

London, Feb. 28. In recording a verdict of "Death by drowning" at the inquest on the "Alcantara" victim, whose body was washed ashore in a life-buoy at Dungeness, the Coroner said that he failed to see why something had not been done on the Russian ship to save the lives of those on board the Alcantara.

The Russians should have thought a little more of others and a little less of themselves.—Reuter.

There was only one survivor of the terrible disaster in the English Channel off Dungeness on Friday night. The Italian steamer, Alcantara, and the Russian sailing barque, Tavariitsch, crashed almost at full speed in fog, the bows of the latter vessel piercing the starboard quarter of the ill-fated Italian craft.

Both boilers exploded before the vessels drew apart after the collision, and it must have been obvious that the Alcantara was in extreme danger. She disappeared within three minutes, an engineer who clung to the bowsprit of the Tavariitsch as it lay across the decks of the Alcantara, being the only survivor of a crew of 23.

## EXTENSIVE DREDGING.

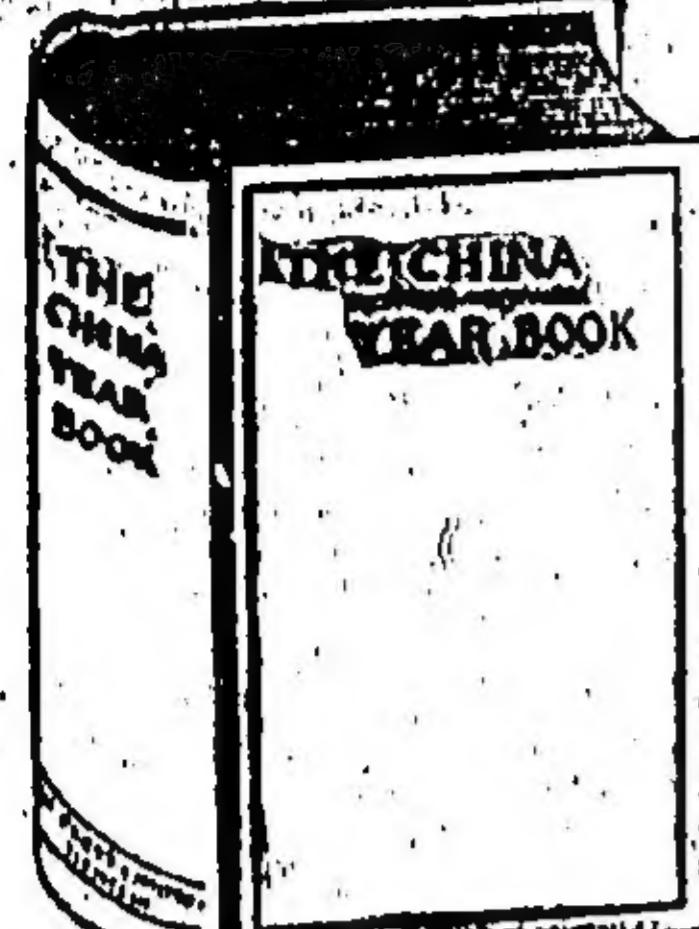
An increase of 224,000 tons in cargo handled and of 75 vessels using the wharves, as compared with the previous year, was reported at the shareholders' meeting of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., held at noon to-day. The Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, who presided, also stated, in the course of his speech, that

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## OBITUARY.

## DEATH OF DR. J. B. ADDISON.

His many friends in the Colony will regret to hear that a cable has been received announcing the death at Seychelles of Dr. J. B. Addison, the Principal Civil Medical Officer of Health of Hongkong, who left the Colony at the beginning of the year on the grounds of ill-health. Dr. Addison had been in failing health for a considerable period before leaving Hongkong and it was hoped that a sojourn in Seychelles, where he had spent a great many years of his life, would do him good. Unfortunately he became worse and died a week or two after landing.

Of a quiet and unassuming disposition, kindly, generous and warm-hearted, Dr. Addison endeared himself to a large circle of friends during the few years he was in Hongkong. As P.C.M.O. he did much useful work, and it was a matter of general regret when he left on January 10. His popularity among his own department was illustrated by the number of members who congregated at Blake Pier to wish him goodbye and godspeed. Amongst those who accompanied him to the boat were the Hon. Mr. E. R. Halifax, the Colonial Secretary and Mr. D. W. Tratman, the Assistant Colonial Secretary.

Dr. Joseph Bartlett Addison came to the Colony in 1924, his appointment dating from February 4, to take up the position of P.C.M.O., which had then been vacated by Dr. J.T.C. Johnson, who had held the post for thirteen years. Previous to that Dr. Addison had served for seventeen years at Seychelles. He was appointed Assistant Medical Officer, Seychelles, in 1907 and the following year was promoted to be Chief Medical Officer. He was acting Private Secretary and Clerk to the Executive Council there from May to November 1912.

As Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Addison received a salary of Rupees 6,000, in addition to free quarters and private practice fees, but on his appointment as P.C.M.O. here his salary was £1,000, rising to £1,200, with £360 conveyance allowance.

The late Dr. Addison was educated at St. Mary's Hospital, London. He held the degrees of M.R.C.S., Eng., and L.R.C.P., London, and was decorated with the M.B.E. He was 53 years of age, having been born on August 29, 1874.

## A Popular Bishop.

New York, Feb. 28. The death is reported of the Very Rev. Edelbert Talbot, ex-presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church.—*Reuter's American Service*.

The late Bishop Talbot was born at Fayette, Missouri, on October 9, 1848. He was educated at Dartmouth and at the General Theological Seminary from which he graduated in 1873. He was appointed deacon and priest of the Protestant Episcopal Church that same year, and later Rector of St. James, Macon, Mo., and still later of the St. James Military Academy, a position which he held until 1887, when he was consecrated missionary bishop of Wyoming and Idaho. In May, 1887, he was transferred to the See of Central Pennsylvania, now known as the See of Bethlehem. Bishop Talbot was a great writer, among his books being "My People of the Plains," "A Bishop Among His Flock," "An Autobiography of a Dog," and "A Bishop's Message."

## R.A.F. FLYING BOATS

ARRIVE SAFELY IN  
SINGAPORE.

Singapore, Feb. 28. The Air Force flying boats have arrived. They will undergo an overhaul before leaving for Australia in the middle of May.—*Reuter*.

SIR PAUL CHATER'S  
WILL.JUDGMENT RESERVED ON  
APPEAL.

A further hearing arising out of the will of the late Sir Paul Chater concluded in the Full Court of Appeal yesterday concerning the appointment of Mr. J. T. Bagram as permanent managing director of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited under the terms of the will.

Sir Paul was a permanent director for life and the question at issue was whether he had the right to nominate his successor.

Mr. Jenkin submitted that a senior representative of a firm and in fact not a named individual could be properly nominated in the memorandum. He went on to refer to the wording of the codicil and of the memorandum in support of his argument.

## Defunct Company.

Referring to Mr. Lagram's qualifications as a senior representative of a firm Mr. Jenkin went on to say that the Hongkong Finance and Investment Company Limited was incorporated in August 1926 which was well over a year ago and they knew that it had, in fact, done no business during that period. The company was liable to be struck off the register at any moment.

It was defunct because it had in fact not carried on any business for over twelve months.

If the court said that the appointment was good as the senior representative of a firm, then they were in the position that the company could be wound up and cease to exist at once or it could be struck off the register in the ordinary way.

The objects of the company were very large but no attempt had been made to carry into effect any form of activity at all under the powers conferred by the Memorandum of Association.

Mr. Jenkin submitted that the words "for the time being" found in the memorandum confined the appointment to people who were of the required status at the time of the death, the actual words "senior representative for the time being" meaning at that date and no other.

Continuing Mr. Jenkin said it was quite clear that the intention of the company was that during Sir Paul Chater's life and after his death there should be a continuity of advice and assistance and there should not be a possibility of allowing an indefinite, and as far as one could say, unlimited time, to elapse in the appointment of a successor to take his place.

"If the articles are to be so considered," added Mr. Jenkin, "as to permit Sir Paul Chater to merely hawk this appointment about, offering it to one after another with no limitation of time, where is the company to be?"

Mr. Jenkin contended that Sir Paul was empowered to make one appointment and having made that one his nominations were at an end as far as the memorandum was concerned. If that person resigned or ceased to act then the company stepped in.

## Company's Right.

Sir Henry Gollan remarked it might be construed that that right would only go to the company if that position was not filled within a reasonable time.

Coming to the point as to Mr. Bagram's qualifications Mr. Jenkin remarked the nominee must be the senior representative of a firm which was in fact carrying on business in the Colony. The firm was carrying on no business and although there was a registered office, if he could say so without offence, Mr. Bagram did not have a chair to sit down on, (laughter), as nothing belonged to him.

Continuing Mr. Jenkin said the principle was clear that, as a director, Sir Paul occupied the position of trustee towards the

company. Judgment was reserved.

## PUBLIC TELEPHONES.

INSTALLATION IN SENTRY  
BOXES.

Recently complaints appeared in the Chinese papers regarding the scarcity of telephones, public and private, in the suburbs, especially at Shamshui Po and Kowloon City. The complainants stated that sometimes after robbery had occurred the victims met with considerable difficulty in finding a telephone to get in touch with the Police.

Following these complaints the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall wrote to the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police, suggesting that street telephones be installed at Shamshui Po and Kowloon City. He added that this would also prove of great convenience to the Police on patrol duty on the street, whenever they desired to obtain assistance from the Police Station.

The Police replied and said that a public street might not be a safe place for a telephone to be installed as there was the temptation to thieves, to steal the instruments, but added that public telephones might perhaps be installed by the Police inside the Police sentry boxes.

company. In the exercise of any powers conferred upon him by anything at all he had to act in the best interests of the company for the benefit of the company. Anything he said wished to be taken as said with the greatest respect for the testator but he (Mr. Jenkin) would put it to them that Sir Paul had not so acted because the appointment of Mr. Bagram could be stated in no other form than being by virtue of a sale. It made it clear that it was doubtful whether he could do those things. In the case of Sir Victor Sassoon and Sir Robert Ho Tung it could be quite fairly put as a sale to those people. The only difference was that rather than saddle Mr. Bagram with a heavy cash payment he was permitted to pay by instalments.

Sir Henry Gollan asked if there was any evidence as to what sums had been paid within that last five or six years. The last item he saw in the public press was something like \$150,000.

## Record Payment.

After consulting with Mr. L. S. Greenhill, who was in court, Mr. Jenkin replied that the highest on record was \$150,000, but for the years 1926-7 it had been in the neighbourhood of \$50,000.

Mr. Jenkin concluded by suggesting that it would not be an advantage to the company for Mr. Bagram to be appointed as the permanent managing director as all the sentiment had been taken. It seemed to be clearly to the best interests of the company that Mr. Bagram should be excepted and that the judgment be upheld.

Replying briefly to the points by Mr. Jenkin, Mr. Sheldon, dealing with the first point, said that the testator had said he hoped that Sir Victor Sassoon would be the person who would act, therefore as regards the testator's wish there was no objection whatever to name an individual. Mr. Jenkin had said that only the senior representative of a firm could come within the memorandum for the appointment to be conferred. In that case the position would arise that no named man could, in effect, become the permanent managing director. His submission was that that would be far too narrow a view for any court to take.

## Judgment Reserved.

Dealing with alternative and successive nominations Mr. Sheldon urged that it was clearly shown that when a person had in fact acted and ceased to act then the company could appoint someone else at an extraordinary general meeting.

Judgment was reserved.

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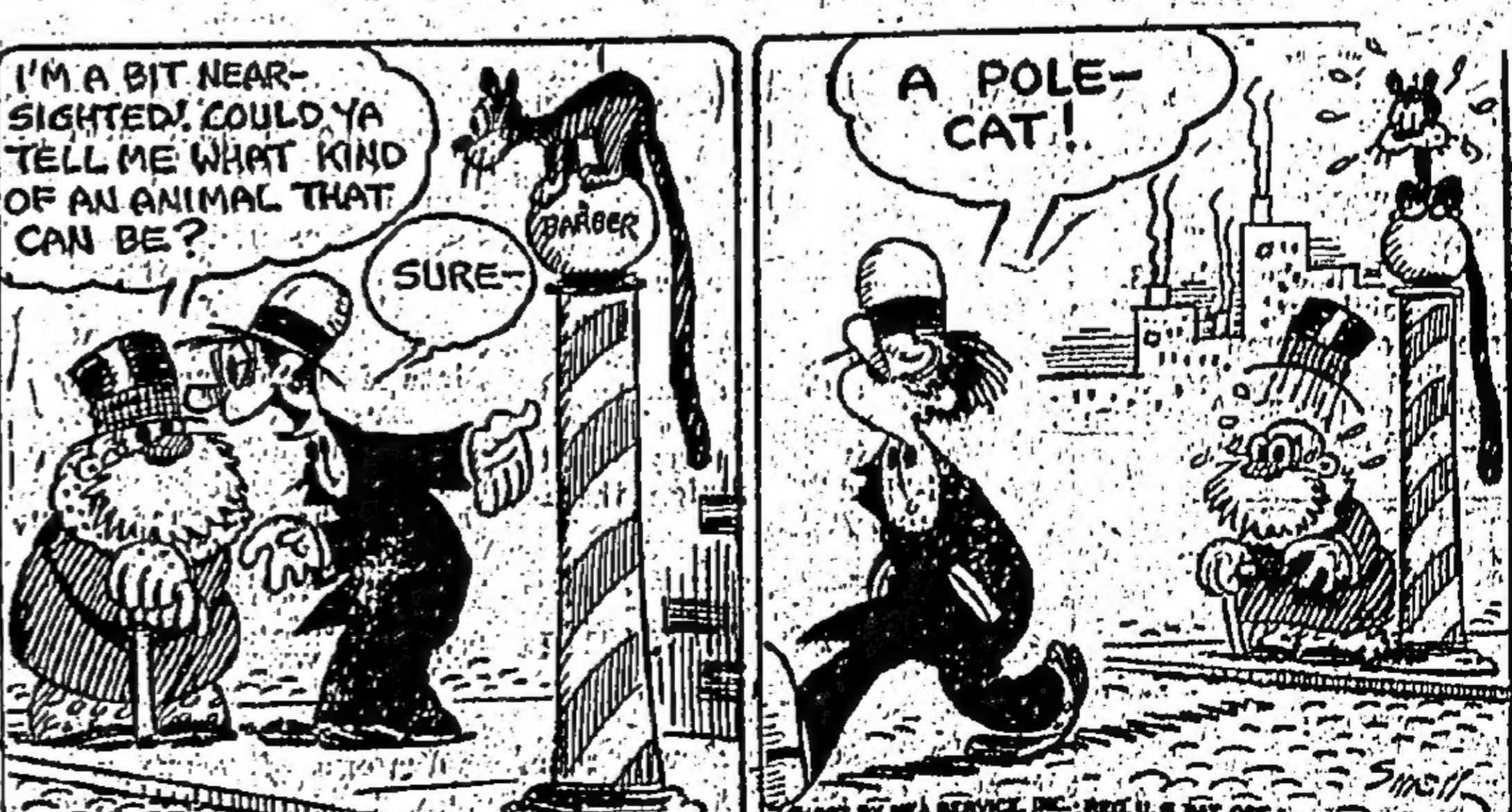
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The entire cast of "Veronique" recently performed by the Shanghai A.D.O. at the Lyric Theatre. The picture was taken just before the curtain was rung down on the second act, and the setting, and the well-known swing song heard in this act, combine to make it the most attractive of the three of which the opera is composed.



Bridal group taken at the wedding in Shanghai of Lieut. L. D. Watts, of the Machine Gun Company, S. V. C., and his bride, Mrs. Eugenie Hunt, daughter of Baroness and the late Baron Drachenfels.



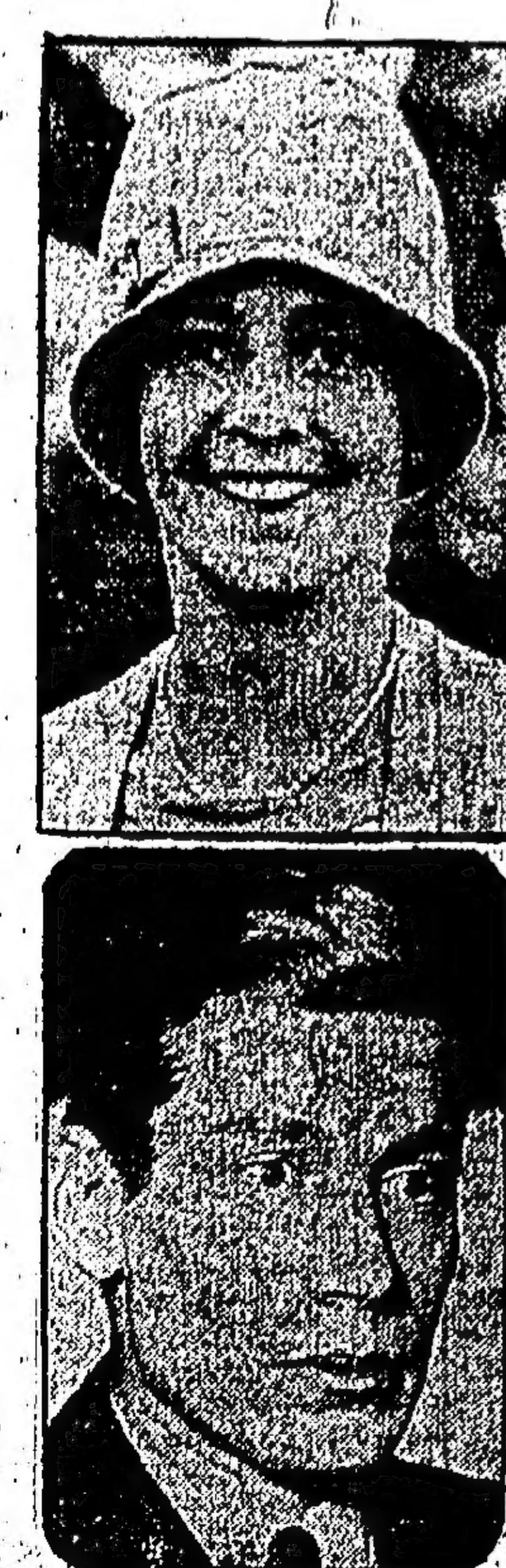
Sylvanus Stokes Jr., scion of the wealthy Philadelphia family, and Patty Dupont, movie star, were married in Los Angeles after a week's effort to dodge publicity on their intended wedding.



Mr. J. Bonnett's Bedlington, Chutney's Rival, which won six firsts and a championship at the National Terrier Club's Show. (Times copyright).



A winter ascent of the Piz Bernina, above St. Moritz, is shown in the above picture, which shows two members of the Alpine Ski Club making their way up the Morteratsch Glacier known as the Labyrinth. (Times copyright).



Mr. J. B. Ryan, and Miss Margaret D. Kahn, daughter of Mr. Otto H. Kahn the American millionaire, whose engagement has been announced.

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TO LET—One European FLAT Wanchai Gap Road, Hongkong. Apply to 32, Kennedy Road.

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SATURDAY, 3rd March, 1928.  
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ADMISSION Public Enclosure  
\$1.00  
Ladies Free.

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Subscribers can introduce Two Ladies Free and Two Non-members at \$5.00 each.

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### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

#### EXTRA RACE MEETINGS.

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7th and 9th April  
26th and 28th May  
23rd June  
6th and 8th October  
10th November  
1st December.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

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#### NOTICE.

If the Marine Boiler left on Kowloon Marine Lot No. 49 by See To Ming is not claimed and removed within fourteen (14) days, same will be sold to defray expenses.

F. H. CRAPNELL,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1928.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The Final Dividend declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1927, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is payable on and after the 27th February, 1928, at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
A. C. HYNES,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 25th Feb. 1928.

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The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 3rd March, 1928 to 16th March, 1928, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON AND CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th, Feb., 1928.

#### WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the office of the O.C., R.A.S.C., Headquarters, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong until 12 noon on the dates stated for the undermentioned services for the periods as stated:

For One Year commencing 1st April 1928—  
Barrack Services

9th March, 1928.  
For Three Months commencing 1st April, 1928—  
General Supplies "A" (Potatoes, Onions and Mustard).

13th March, 1928.

Tender forms and any necessary information may be obtained at the above office between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily, except Sundays.

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March, 1928.

The property consists of:

All that piece or parcel of ground having an area of 91,331 square feet registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Rural Building Lot No. 2 together with all the messuages or tenements and other erections thereon and the rights, easements and appurtenances thereto belonging to the Vendor in and to all the said premises.

For further particulars apply to:

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## LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

On FRIDAY,  
the 2nd March, 1928,  
commencing at 11 a.m.

At Godown No. 3 Upper,  
The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., West Point.

A Quantity of Miscellaneous Goods.

comprising—  
Iron Spikes, Straw Braid, Socks, Paper, Medicine, Iron Bars, China Ware, Tea Mats, etc.

Terms—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

On MONDAY,  
the 5th March, 1928,  
commencing at 5.15 p.m.

At their Sales Room,  
Duddell Street.

A Valuable Collection of Postage Stamps including—  
Old China, Shanghai, and Hongkong, etc.

On View from Saturday, the 3rd March, 1928.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on MONDAY,  
the 5th March, 1928, commencing at 2.45 p.m. at No. 169, The Peak (M. Kellett Road).

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

(Particulars from Catalogue).

On view from Sunday, the 4th March, 1928.

Terms—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Feb. 28, 1928.

### MISSING LETTERS.

"IMMEASURABLE INCONVENIENCE" CAUSED BY THEFTS.

A Streatham postman was sentenced at South-Western Police Court to twelve months' hard labour for stealing postal packets. He pleaded guilty.

Mr. Sandbach, K. C., the Magistrate, said that the amount of inconvenience caused to the public by such thefts was immeasurable.

Sergeant Peacock, of the Post Office, said that the man's house was searched, and 91 postal packets were found. They had been opened and the contents appropriated. He admitted having stolen over 100 others. In his carrying bag were 42 more. These, he said, he intended taking home and using the contents.

The man, in his defence, said he could not live on his wages as a postman. He had a wife and child.

The Magistrate said that if he left the service,

To go from PROVE to STORY isn't hard, but often it's not so easy to prove your story to friend wife. Six strokes are required, according to the par solution, which you may be able to beat,

Luton Town Council are asking the Electricity Commissioners to approve the expenditure of nearly £250,000 to provide a new power station on the outskirts of the borough in the direction of Dunstable and on new mains to improve the distribution in the area already supplied. It is proposed to install a low-temperature carbonisation plant.

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## HISTRIONIC TRAINING.

## GREAT ADVANCE MADE IN GERMANY.

Histrionic art has reached today in Germany a hitherto unrecorded level. Never before has the German stage seen such a large number first-class actors upon its boards. Never before has the art of acting been practised with such seriousness and devotion.

Moreover, the excellence of the acting is rivalled by the excellence of the stage management. Who has not heard of Max Reinhardt's revolutionary methods? And have not such stage producers as Fehling, Engel, Jessner, Martin and Pliscator helped to set a higher standard, not merely in Germany, but also elsewhere?

The training of the actor and the art of staging are linked intimately together. One determines the other. The existence of a large number of talented actors and actresses calls for first-class producers; while the modern producer can only work with talented actors who have received the finest technical and artistic training. The days have long since passed when, in Germany, a young genius got his schooling on the boards of some third-rate provincial stage and thence worked his way up into prominence. Numerous private and public schools of acting now give the disciples of histrionism a thorough training, and some of these institutes have done such fine work that they have been accorded academic rank.

## The Training.

In these institutes, the pupil actor receives his entire technical equipment. Voice-production and gymnastics are the principal subjects, but tuition is also given in fencing, dramatic history, costume, literature and languages. Indeed, since there is no sphere of life or knowledge upon which the actor may not have occasion to draw, the view is held that he should take as one of his mottoes Young's famous saying:—

"Wer zu manu zu leben weiß mit dem son."

"The patriarch-pupil would be learning still."

The stage manager, himself, must be a past master in the art of acting, for he has to lead the others and to control the whole production. His authority must be beyond question, inasmuch as the actors and actresses whom he is called upon to direct will only subordinate themselves willingly to his instructions if they feel absolute confidence in his capacity. It is his task to co-ordinate suitably the artistic and technical staffs at his command, and thus make them serve to give perfect expression to his conception of the dramatic work which he is producing. He is the medium between the completed literary effort of the author who has embodied his thoughts in the printed word and the actors who give to that word a living and visible form.

## Talent of Intuition.

Even more than the actor, the modern producer must possess the talent of intuition, since he is called upon to give purpose and meaning to the fundamental features of each actor's interpretation of his part and to co-ordinate them with the piece as a whole. Hence the production should be dominated from the outset by some concretely creative idea.

This supreme law of stage production is truly often sinned against. Like all present-day art, modern staging suffers from overvaluation of the abstract. Whereas, formerly, staging as a factor in theatrical production was underrated, it is now generally overrated; and the theatrical producer, desirous of outdoing his competitors, is tempted to snatched at new notions merely for the sake of their novelty, without considering whether the new is better than the old or worse. Partly as a consequence of this hankering after originality, partly under the

1657-1918.

## DINNERS TO COMMEMORATE GREAT NAVAL BATTLES.

Famous British naval actions from 1657 to the surrender of the German Fleet in 1918 will be commemorated at dinners to be held at the Hotel Victoria this year by the Royal Navy Club of 1765 and 1785. Admiralty Fleet Orders issued state that the dinners have been fixed as follows:

Tuesday, March 27.—To commemorate the capture of Fort St. Louis, Martinique, by H. M. S. Zebra (March 20, 1794).

Tuesday, May 1.—To commemorate Blücher's victory at Santa Cruz (April 20, 1807).

Tuesday, June 6.—To celebrate the King's Birthday (June 3, 1865) and that of the Prince of Wales (June 23, 1894), and to commemorate the action between the Chesapeake and Shannon (June 1, 1813).

Friday, July 20.—To entertain the First Lord of the Admiralty and to commemorate the Battle of Trafalgar.

Tuesday, November 20.—To commemorate the work of the Fleet in all theatres of the Great War (1914-1918), culminating in the surrender of the German Fleet on November 21, 1918.

## QUEEN'S THEATRE.

## TALENTED CHINESE LADY VOCALIST.

A distinctly novel and pleasing feature of the current programme at the Queen's Theatre is the appearance of Miss Chee Toy in a number of vocal items. Coming here with an excellent reputation, she well upheld it yesterday and was given a very warm welcome by all who heard her. She rendered a Chinese song, an English ballad and a "jazz" number, and was thoroughly at home in them all. Miss Chee Toy has a very pleasant voice, and she enters well into the spirit of her songs.

The main film on show is "The Side Show of Life," which is based on W. J. Locke's "The Mountebank." This is the story of an English clown in a French circus who joins up in the War and becomes a Brigadier General in the British Army. Romantic developments ensue, touched with an element of tragedy, and interest is maintained to the happy climax. Ernest Torrence and Ann Q. Nilsson take the leads, and they are both responsible for some fine acting. It is an interesting film, admirably produced.

Influence of the literary taste of the day, the presentation of many a drama has been given a garb incongruous with its own nature and content; nothing could be more out of place than such a proceeding as this, for every genuine work of fiction has its own innate and typical character, and demands, with almost the force of natural law, its own proper and characteristic form of presentation.

## Changes in Expression.

Had our managers kept this truth clearly before their minds, they would not have been misled by the rapidly developing technical possibilities of the stage into exalting the form above the content and making it a purpose in itself.

Nor is this in any way excusable, for the almost kaleidoscopic changes in the form of dramatic expression during recent years have provided the manager with rich opportunities of using his ingenuity in the matter of staging.

Moreover, the scenic effects rendered possible—particularly as regards illumination—by modern stage engineering—give him ample scope for developing his ideas. But, all the more, should he be careful to make these opportunities subservient, not to any by-creation of his own, but wholly subservient to the underlying idea of the play itself.

WOMAN'S WORLD  
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## The Kid Ensemble.

## ARTISTIC SHOE ORNAMENTS.

The kid ensemble, consisting of hat, bag and shoes to match, is one of the most recent innovations. One particularly smart set seen in Paris was of black kid and grey snakeskin. The hat was of the small brimless type, with a soft crushed crown, flattening to almost any type of face, because the soft kid drapes in folds like a piece of lustrous silk.

A single band of snakeskin encircles it, and a similar piece strapped the bag, which was of the flat enveloped pattern, but the shoes were the really distinctive item of this ensemble—black snakeskin shoes with low heels and straps.

## The New Coiffure.

## TO SHOW THE EARS.

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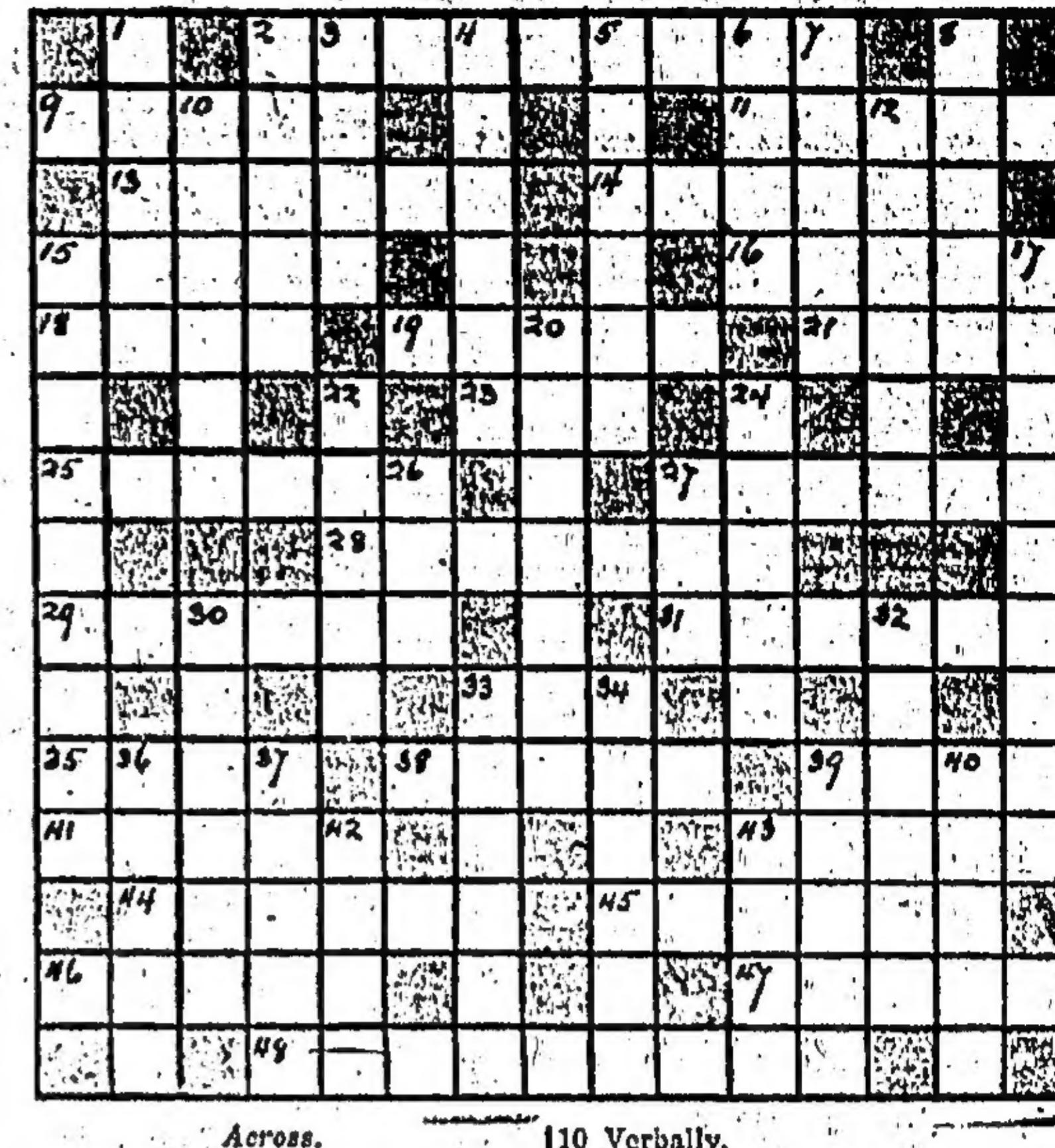
## Soft Lighting.

## CANDLES AS DECORATIONS.

The feminine ear is once again making its shy appearance, for a new style of hairdressing is becoming popular. In which the hair is drawn back behind the ears, even with the bob or shingle. With this new hair mode the ear is not shown blantly, as in the Eton crop, but rather it peeps from a delicate background of hair. At any theatre or dance already there will be at least 3 or 4 girls who have adopted this new fashion, and, according to one of the leading West End hairdressers, new recruits are joining every day. Recently a *Daily Mail* reporter was told:

There are some rooms which call for candle-light alone, especially for intimate little dinner parties, when conversation flourishes instead of bridge, the time of easy moments in which women like the

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



10 Verbally.  
12 Leave.  
15 Legend.  
17 Substitute for glue.  
20 One who rows.  
22 Yielded.  
24 Performer.  
26 Further.  
27 Skill.  
30 Puriser.  
32 Pantry.  
33 Interweave.  
34 Bodily form.  
35 Watch.  
37 Noblemen.  
39 Weas.  
40 Mistake.  
42 Corrode.  
43 Public vehicles.  
*Yesterday's Solution.*

1 State of being sheltered.  
9 Slant.  
11 Long-handled dish.  
13 Falry toy.  
14 Firmly fixed.  
15 Short treated.  
16 Symbols.  
18 Noise made in lungs.  
19 Brush.  
21 Uncommon.  
23 Steer wild.  
25 Small ornamental mat.  
27 Sour.  
28 Last dinner course.  
29 Mark aimed at.  
31 Act of dressing.  
33 Tap.  
35 Famous cricket ground.  
38 Diminished.  
39 Small bird.  
41 Scent.  
43 Framework of regiment.  
44 Term adopted to indicate various forms of the verb.  
45 One who secures.  
46 Flying animals.  
47 Marine animal resembling a globe of jelly.  
48 Precititiousness.

*Down.*

1 Exceedingly.  
2 Flavouring.  
3 Act of leaving.  
4 Dismal.  
5 Of little breadth.  
6 Bolt.  
7 Greek sylvan deity.  
8 Plant of genus *Alnus*.



1 MARCHES. 2 SASHES.  
3 PRE. 4 VOLITIC. 5 S.  
6 ARMILLA. 7 ELASTIC.  
8 N. 9 ARM. 10 POTENCE. 11 A.  
12 TRIC. 13 C. 14 M. 15 YEST.  
16 SUNN. 17 SET. 18 EMIT.  
19 B. 20 PANNIER. 21 L.  
22 RIFLE. 23 OLM. 24 ANTIC.  
25 C. 26 CHART. 27 TARRIED. 28 C.  
29 PODS. 30 TTED. 31 ATOP.  
32 UNIT. 33 U. 34 F. 35 NINE.  
36 RICASSI. 37 TERITE. 38 A.  
39 STARTED. 40 FUNERAL.  
41 EWS. 42 ORECTIC. 43 C. 44 B.  
45 STRASS. 46 STAKES.

*Gladys Cooper*



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**BIRTH.**

WATERTON.—At Victoria Hospital on February, 28th to Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Waterton, of P.W.D.—a son.

**DEATH.**

PEREIRA.—On February 24, 1928, at 414 Dixwell Road, Shanghai, Hilda Maria Assunta Pereira, dearly beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pereira, aged three years.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 29, 1928.

**THE FOREIGN OFFICE  
SCANDAL.**

Scandals so rarely occur in connexion with the British Civil Service that more than usual prominence will naturally be given to the result of the investigations into the disclosures made in the "Dyne case" which involved the reputation of the Foreign Office and some of its trusted and high-placed servants. The fact that the personnel of the Board of Inquiry and the terms of reference were communicated to the Press within a very short time after the verdict of the jury, showed that the Prime Minister had been studying the position from the opening of the trial, so as to be prepared for immediate action. In the circumstances, he did the wise and right thing.

There is no necessity to enter into the merits of the Dyne case so far as it concerned other than public servants. Many people are dazzled by the possibilities of a speculative profit in the sensational movements of foreign currencies; many wings have been burnt and many slinged bodies lie around that particular lamp. But inasmuch as it was disclosed, during the trial, that prominent officials of the Foreign Office were directly involved in Mrs. Dyne's "flutter" in France, then the circumstances obviously called for the strictest possible investigation. That investigation has now been concluded, with results of the utmost seriousness to the officials connected with the transactions. The heaviest blow falls on Mr. J. D. Gregory, Assistant Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who, after a distinguished career with the Foreign Office, lasting for more than a quarter of a century, has been dismissed from the service on Friday.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Connaught Road Central, has decided to give a dinner party at 7 o'clock at the Nantong Restaurant, China Building, on the 3rd March in honour of General Li Chai-sum, the Chairman of the Southern Government, who is going to pay a visit to Hongkong.

It was admitted that he introduced Mrs. Dyne to the banking Company, that he engaged in huge joint currency transactions with her, and that later he speculated on his own account in considerable sums. Commander Maxse and Mr. O'Malley were also involved in the matter, though not to the same degree of seriousness. The redeeming feature of the whole business is that none of these officials was in the slightest degree guilty of corruption or of making use of official information for their own ends. What they did was an offence merely from the Civil Service point of view, and therefore neither their honour nor their integrity are called into question.

The Home Press, we notice, is in agreement that the punishments inflicted are, in the circumstances, none too severe. With that view we imagine the majority of Britons will agree. It is true that the *Daily Telegraph* finds some extenuation in what it describes as the inadequacy of the salaries of the higher officials of the Foreign Office. It is pertinent to note, however, that the salary attaching to Mr. Gregory's post was £1,200 to £1,500 per year. In any event, whatever views may be held on the sufficiency or otherwise of the scale of salaries prevailing, considerations of that kind, even put at their highest, can only extenuate the indiscretions; they certainly cannot condone them. The British Civil Service has always been considered not only above reproach, but above suspicion, and it is at any rate gratifying to feel that its traditions in this regard have not been besmirched by the disclosures arising from the Dyne case, however regrettable they may be from the official point of view. Indeed, the very severity of the penalties imposed on the offenders provides an assurance that the fastidious requirements of the past in the standard of conduct expected from State officials will be maintained and upheld.

**Brilliant Achievement.**

The public grasp of the safety of modern flying, and of the immense strides made by aviation experts even in the past two years, has made a definite forward leap as the result of the brilliant achievement of Captain Bert Hinkler in flying from Croydon to his home at Bundaberg, Australia. The extreme merit of the performance cannot be dimmed by the mishap on the long journey, when his plane, an ordinary light machine, which anyone can purchase for £675, and, moreover, eighteen months old, was forced down by a dust-storm. Captain Hinkler in this machine, equipped with a 30 h.p. Cirrus engine, British-built, flew well over ten thousand miles, made the first non-stop flight from London to Rome, accomplished an epoch-making trip in reaching India in seven days, four days better than the previous record, and reached Port Darwin, Australia, in two hours over fifteen days, cutting the previous time for the journey almost in half. There can be no doubt that Captain Hinkler, has done far more to make the public air-minded than the adventurers who successfully hazarded the Transatlantic flight for the simple reason that such feats are in the class of grand ornery: pretty and spectacular, but in the first place, requiring heavy subsidies. Flying will not develop on any such aesthetic backing. It must be made to pay its own way, and the fact that Capt. Hinkler, unaccompanied, completed a remarkable flight at a cost of less than £50, will do more to satisfy doubts than any sensational flying hitherto reported. Greatest satisfaction has been expressed in Government circles at this conclusive proof of the stability of light British planes. Large sums of money have been expended in exploiting the way for the inevitable future of the air, and such a memorable accomplishment should do much to advance the era when such efforts will be repaid.

An important statement regarding the position of this country under the Franco-German Commercial Treaty is contained in a letter written to Mr. Walter Runefeld, M.P., by Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister, President of the Board of Trade.

**DAY BY DAY.**

THERE ARE MORE OPPORTUNITIES THAN THERE ARE YOUNG MEN TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM.—James J. Hill.

Two further Chinese cases of typhoid were notified yesterday.

The Ben Lino s.s. Benglo, from Straits ports, is due here on March 5th.

The P. and O. s.s. Macedonia, from Singapore, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

Governor-General Stimson and party left for Manila yesterday by the s.s. President McKinley.

The s.s. Yuct On was taken in hand at Tafko Dock at 6 a.m. to-day and the s.s. Huchow left the same yard at 10 a.m.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales saw a private exhibition of "The Circus," the big Charlie Chaplin film, at York House recently. "The Circus" comes to the Queen's Theatre next Sunday.

The s.s. San Nam Hoi arrived in Hongkong from the West River this morning after being reloaded. It is understood that she is undamaged, but it is likely that a survey will be held.

Amongst the passengers who left by the s.s. President Taft yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. E. B. C. Hornell, Mr. and Mrs. F. McB. Courtney, Mrs. B. D. F. Reith, Mrs. C. B. Hartford and Mr. Frank Austin.

This morning's Harbour Office reports were generally poor, there being few arrivals, probably owing to weather conditions outside. There was only one British entry this morning, the heaviest inward cargo of the day. There remained 68 vessels in harbour at 9 a.m. of which 24 were British.

A Musical will be given at the Helena May Institute on Thursday 8th March at 5.30 p.m. The following will take part:—Mrs. Sanger, Miss Dunbar, Mr. John Braga and Mr. Bowes-Smith. Tables for tea must be booked by Wednesday afternoon at the latest.—*Adv.*

The Kowloon Brigade was called to King's Hotel at 10.30 last evening, an alarm having been given when smoke was seen issuing from the cookhouse. It appears that a number of knivs had been placed in close proximity to a lighted stove and the composition handles of these became ignited. The matter was dealt with by the servants of the establishment before the appliances arrived.

**EX-MAHARAJAH'S MARRIAGE.****REASON FOR DELAY.**

The two Brahmin priests, who had gone to Ceylon for the purpose of performing the marriage of the ex-Maharajah of Indore with the American girl, Miss Miller, have returned to Bombay, stated the Indian News Agency, and explained why the marriage was not performed in Ceylon.

A high caste Hindu marriage, they say, cannot be performed in the month of Pousha, as astrologically it is not auspicious, and, therefore, is forbidden by the shastras.

As the marriage is to take place according to proper Hindu rites and ceremonial, it must take place on an auspicious day or not at all. If the Maharajah's health is well enough to allow him to travel to India then the marriage will take place, as at present arranged, at Barhwa, the place where his father, Maharajah Shivaji, used to live after his own abdication.

**FRANCO-GERMAN TREATY AND BRITAIN.**

An important statement regarding the position of this country under the Franco-German Commercial Treaty is contained in a letter written to Mr. Walter Runefeld, M.P., by Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister, President of the Board of Trade.

Sir Philip writes: "The conclusion of this treaty in no way affects our right to full most-favoured-nation treatment either in Germany or France. As regards the former country this is definitely secured by an official of the 1925 Hongkong Strikers' Committee and is said to have been keeping in close touch with the Communists.

New York, Jan. 28.—The Fox Film Corporation has acquired control of three hundred cinema theatres on and near the Pacific Coast in what is described by Mr. William Fox, the president of the company, as the largest single theatre transaction in history. Theatres valued at \$20,000,000 were involved. In making the announcement Mr. Fox, whose career has been one of the most spectacular in the film industry, recalled that twenty-five years ago he was earning less than \$4 a week as a cutter in a clothing establishment.

**GENERAL RETURNS TO CANTON.****INCIDENT OF 1925 RECALLED.**

Following the assassination in Canton, in 1925, of the late Mr. Liao Chung-kai, a noted leader of the Kuomintang Left Wing, many of the high officials of the Civil Government and of the Army in Canton were detained as suspects, by order of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who was then acting as the Chief of the Canton troops.

One of the suspects, who was detained for several months and later released, was General Leung Kung-kai, the leader of the First Army. After his release, General Leung did not return to the Army, but a few days ago came back to Canton with many of his former subordinates.

A vernacular report states that General Leung's return was in response to the invitation by General Chan Ming-shui, the recently elected Chairman of the Canton Provincial Government. News is current that General Leung will be given an important post in the Canton Army.

Among other prominent persons returned to Canton recently is Mr. Koo Ying-fan, former Finance Commissioner to the Nanking and Canton Nationalist Governments. Mr. Koo arrived in the city on Saturday, and, on the following day, he gave a banquet at his residence to some of his friends, including Generals Wang Shao-hung, Chan Ming-shui, Chu Ching-tang, Chan Chai-long and others. Yesterday he attended a meeting of the Canton Political Council of which he is a Council member.

Further details of the military meeting held in Canton two days ago, following the return from the East River of General Wang Shao-hung, have come to hand. It is said that the meeting decided that the military affairs of Kwangtung and Kwangsi will remain in hands of Generals Li Chai-sum and Wang Shao-hung respectively, while the civil administration of Kwangtung will be entrusted to General Chan Ming-shui.

**OFFICIAL VISIT TO CANTON.****HONGKONG GOVERNOR AND PARTY GO NEXT WEEK.**

According to reports from Canton, H. E. the Governor of Hongkong is to pay his official visit to Canton on March 9th. He will be accompanied by Lady Clement, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (Colonial Secretary), other Government officials and possibly the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow and Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall.

On his arrival, His Excellency will land at the Canton Government pier, where he will inspect troops drawn up in his honour. The party will then proceed to Government House, where H. E. the Governor and Lady Clement will be the guests of General and Madame Li Chai-sum during their stay.

Numerous functions in honour of the visit have been arranged. These include dinners by General Li Chai-sum and the Chamber of Commerce, luncheons by the Mayor of Canton and the British Consul-General, as well as a flower-boat party and theatrical entertainments.

The visitors hope to stay in Canton for about two days.

**CANTON SUSPECTS.****MORE THAN A THOUSAND IN PRISON.**

More than a thousand Communists have been arrested in Canton and removed to the Nam Shek Tau Prison, since the big anti-Red campaign began. It is stated that Mr. Tang Yin-wah, the Chief of Police, has now arranged with judges of the Special Court in Canton for the opening of the trial of these suspects.

Among the "Red" suspects is one man whom the Government desires to be sentenced to death, as it has been established that he was formerly an official of the 1925 Hongkong Strikers' Committee and is said to have been keeping in close touch with the Communists.

British Army major was approached one day by a youth who had obviously been in the service only long enough to draw his uniform. The rookie failed to salute, but the major overlooked it. "Say," began the buck cordially, "ever drink anything?" The major was truthful as well as kindly. He admitted that once in a while he took a small nip, and then turned away.

"Wait a minute," said the rookie, "I got some here." This was too much for the major. "Corporal of the guard!" he bawled.

"Aw, gee!" protested the rookie, "don't call your friends—there's only enough for two."

Either someone is letting a fortune slip through his fingers, or else the Bhopal correspondent of the Indian News Service is an optimist, says a London writer in the *New York Herald Tribune*.

"From October, 1921," the correspondent writes, "the State of Bhopal has lost over 300,000 rupees every year in its efforts to enforce Prohibition, and at last has had to put a stop to this costly experiment. It was found that the Mohwa trees, which abound in the estate, are tapped by those who desire alcohol drink."

If this Mohwa tree is all that is claimed for it, and if it will function properly in the American climate, the "plant a tree" movement ought to boom exceedingly. But London horticulturists haven't any Mohwa trees in stock, and seem doubtful of their ability to get any.

Barrister at Feltham: How long have you lived here? Man: Since before the flood.

Solicitor, to a West Ham wife at Bow County Court: What does your husband earn? The wife: What a senseless thing to ask! As though he would tell me.

Willesden man, with a plastered head: I want a separation order against my wife for persistent cruelty. Magistrate: If you had cracked her head like that she might have had one, but the law is one-sided in this particular.

Willie was in one of his inquisitive moods, and father was tired of answering questions. "Pa," demanded Willie, "what's a misanthrope?"

Father racked his brains for an answer which would force Willie to sit down and think over it. A gleam of triumph shone in his eyes.

"A misanthrope," he declared, "is a fellow who would prosecute you for trespassing if you shovelled the snow off his doorstep."

"Cut it short," he said later.

Then, just before he pronounced decree, the Sheriff remarked to the agent, "I am afraid, Mr. Blank, your shirt is all dickey."

At the Poor Law Conference in London, during a discussion on the training of nurses and midwives, Mr. W. H. Eastman (Scolcoates) suggested that they should resort to community singing to express their views, and he put forward the following lines regarding a deputation to Mr. Neville Chamberlain:

"Another year has passed away."

## ADMIRAL LEVESON RETIRES.

## HERO OF HONG MOH DISASTER PROMOTED.

## MADE REAR-ADmirAL.

London, Feb. 28.

Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson, G.C.B., has retired, and Captain E. R. G. Evans, C.B., D.S.O., has been promoted to the rank of Rear-Admiral.—*Reuter*.

Admiral Leveson, who entered the Navy in 1883, is 68 years of age. He has latterly been First and Principal A. D. C. to H. M. the King. He has had a lengthy and distinguished naval career, and was Commander-in-Chief on the China Station from 1922 to 1924. In the Great War, he saw service in the Battle of Jutland.

Rear-Admiral Evans is also well-known in Hongkong. He commanded H. M. S. Carlisle from 1921 to 1923, and during that period distinguished himself by his gallant action in saving the lives of many Chinese in the s.s. Hong Moh disaster, for which he was awarded a special gold medal by Lloyds. In the War, he commanded H. M. S. Broke when that ship, with H. M. S. Swift, engaged and defeated six German destroyers. He has been prominently identified with Antarctic expeditions, returning in command of the late Captain Scott's ship after the latter's death.

## FOR THE EIGHTH TIME.

## RETURNED BANISHEE SENT TO PRISON.

Having served seven previous terms of imprisonment, a Chinese, who was banished for life in January last year, was found loitering in a house in Yaumati yesterday. He came before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, being charged with returning from banishment.

According to Sergeant Mottrem, the defendant was found in the passage way of a house in Temple Street. The police were summoned and the defendant arrested. On his finger-prints being taken, he was found to be returned banishee.

Sentence of twelve months' hard labour was imposed.

## WAR DEVELOPMENTS.

## BATTLE EXPECTED IN SOUTHERN CHIHHLI.

Shanghai, Feb. 29. War developments in Southern Chihhli are again reported to be serious. The vanguard of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang's forces have advanced towards Taiming and heavy fighting is expected in that area shortly.

It has been officially announced from the Headquarters of the Wuhan expeditionary forces at Changsha that arrangements have been made for the absorption of the surrendered forces of General Tang Sang-chi into the 4th Army Corps.—*Nam Chung Pao*.

## FOREIGN OFFICE SCANDAL.

## MOVEMENTS OF MR. J. D. GREGORY.

London, Feb. 28. Mr. J. D. Gregory, the Assistant Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who has been dismissed for speculating in francs, left his home in West London at seven o'clock this morning, stating that he was going away for two or three days and would send word whether correspondence should be forwarded.—*Reuter*.

## LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

## SPAIN REPORTED TO BE RETURNING.

Paris, Feb. 28. It is stated that Spain will return to the League of Nations at its September session. This follows the reported Franco-Spanish agreement regarding the administration of Tangier.—*Reuter's American Service*.

"You must know that this was a harsh and oppressive bargain from what you could see in the newspapers," Judge Sir Alfred Tobin remarked to a borrower at Westminster County Court, after working out the rate of interest per annum under the default clause of a loan contract at 3,900 per cent. The moneylender made a settlement offer, and this was accepted.

## SOME SHANGHAI TOPICS.

## TARIFF REVISION QUESTION.

## JEWISH CLUB TO BE BUILT.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Feb. 24. The most outstanding feature of somewhat uneventful week-outstanding, that is to say, in a purely negative sense—has been the apparent failure of Mr. A. H. F. Edwards' mission to Shanghai in connexion with tariff revision. The Acting Inspector-General of Customs will have left these shores by the time these lines are in print, and, like Mr. Silas Straw, he has been fated to have his mission unfulfilled.

The failure of Mr. Edwards' efforts has come as the first fruits of General Chang Kai-shek's deliberations with the "Christian General" at Kaifeng, as a result of which it has been decided to reject Mr. Edwards' overtures relative to tariff revision and prosecute anew the Nationalist plans for the invasion of Peking, which the Kuomintang forces claim they will be able to consummate before the end of next summer.

Hope, however, has not been altogether abandoned that, sooner or later, the interrupted conference will be resumed. This is borne out by the fact that Mr. F. W. Maze, Commissioner of Customs in Shanghai, and senior responsible official in the Customs service within Nationalist territory, has been instructed by the Customs Administration of the Ministry of Finance to postpone his furlough to England "pending settlement of various important Customs problems."

Additional ground is afforded for this belief by the impending arrival in Shanghai of Mr. J. V. A. MacMurray, U.S. Minister to China, one of the objects of whose mission is believed to be the straightening out of the Customs question. On the narrow ground of self-interest alone, all factions in China are expected to see eye to eye, with regard to the Customs question at least, since the principal aim of the conference is to raise the Customs tariff and to distribute the surplus of increased revenue among the Chinese authorities both north and south, thereby maintaining the present Customs system and safeguarding it from the danger of disarray and dislocation.

The Case of Mr. Strother.

The function of a newspaper and of newspaper scribes is to discuss things rather than persons, except in so far as persons in the public eye, of their own volition, engage in activities which bring them into the limelight in matters of public interest and so lead themselves open to praise or criticism, as the case might be.

From this standpoint, the case of Mr. Edgar F. Strother merits a reference because he has for a long time been a factor in Sino-foreign relations by the very nature of his activities, which have brought him in conflict with many powerful members of the National Christian Council.—Chinese, American and British—as well as representatives of other nationalities.

Mr. Strother has just announced to the local Press that he has

## "LLOYD'S REGISTER" OF THE AIR.

## NOTABLE SCHEME MOOTED IN ENGLAND.

## INSPECTING PLANES.

London, Feb. 28. The first issue of a new aircraft international register, which will be to commercial aircraft what Lloyds is to shipping, has now been published.

Its interest extends to something more than a mere register, for its organisers are preparing to take over, from the Air Ministry, the inspection of all privately-owned British aircraft for the renewal of their airworthiness certificates.

A system comparable to that which pertains to shipping is aimed at.

The Board of Trade exercises a strict survey over certain classes of ships, and especially passenger vessels, and the classification in Lloyds register forms in the main, the basis of insurance rates.

If the present plans materialise, the Air Ministry Airworthiness Department, as before, will be responsible for each machine when issued from the factory, but the aircraft register will be responsible for seeing it is maintained in accordance with the Government regulations.

It is pointed out that such a scheme will provide advantages from the insurance point of view similar to those provided by Lloyds Register.—*British Wireless*.

## LEGIONARY WHO BECAME KAID.

## SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR DESERTION.

Paris, Jan. 27. A member of the French Foreign Legion, Goux, and ten native riflemen have been sentenced to death by court-martial at Casablanca for deserting to the enemy during the Rif campaign. Eight of the condemned riflemen are still in flight. The legionary Goux, like the more famous Klems, became after his desertion in 1924 a Rifian Kaid, and adopted the name Abdulla İslami. He acted as military instructor, and was accused of having himself in June, 1926, fired a cannon against a French post.

The native riflemen deserted during the critical days of June, 1926. A corporal, Ben Lhassen, and nine men left a blockhouse with their arms and equipment and joined a rebel tribe, the Ait Schokkam. Two of them were arrested about a year ago, one at Ouzzan and the other at Meknes.

received a cable from the United States ordering him to relinquish charge of the Shanghai branch of the Christian Endeavour Union and declares that although he has been forced out of regular mission work, he expects to remain in China and to engage in business and give some time to mission work in an honorary capacity.

Mr. Strother, who is a man of considerable ability, was at one time an avowed champion of the "Christian General," and held a prayer meeting in Shanghai on his behalf. Subsequently he was disowned by the anti-Bolshevik movement. Then he ran counter to the National Christian Council and fin-

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## ADMIRAL LEVESON RETIRES.



Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson, former Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron, who has just retired from the Royal Navy.

## SHANGHAI BANDIT LAW.

## YET ANOTHER STRONG PROTEST.

## SEQUEL TO RECENT ARMED ROBBERY.

## FUTILE OBJECTIONS.

Yet another protest was made by Mr. Van den Berg, the Senior Consul's Deputy, in the Provisional Court at Shanghai, last week. In this case, Bang Rsaun, coolie, Nyl Ah-foh, hawker, Tsoh Yeu-zien, coolie, and Zee Kung-sung, brass-smith, were charged that at 7 p.m. on January 19, at the corner of Tongshan and Kwenming Roads, they were found to be in possession of two automatic pistols and 13 rounds of ammunition.

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## ALO-EGYPTIAN PARLEY.

## ANOTHER VERSION OF THE DRAFT TREATY.

## GOVERNMENT DENIAL.

Cairo, Feb. 28. Nahas Pasha, the leader of the Wafid, who has been apprised of the progress of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations, denies the accuracy of the forecast of the draft of the treaty as published by the newspaper *El Ahram*.

In the meantime the *Al Mekka* publishes a new version, somewhat similar to that in the opposition journal, but stating that troops will remain in their present stations for five years.

It also states that Egypt will have the right to conclude treaties with regard to internal, economic and commercial affairs, but political treaties must be submitted for British approval.—*Reuter*.

## SECRECY MAINTAINED.

London, Feb. 28. Secrecy is well maintained in London and Cairo in the course of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations, which, however, are believed to be proceeding actively.

Sir Austen Chamberlain questions in the House of Commons as to whether proposals are being considered for the removal of British forces from the neighbourhood of Cairo, requested the questioner to wait until he was able to lay the papers on the subject of the Anglo-Egyptian conversations before the House.

He promised that any proposed treaty would not be ratified until it had been approved by Parliament.

## PRESS CRITICISM.

Cairo, Feb. 28. The newspaper *El Ahram* prints an unofficial forecast of the draft of the treaty; firstly, that British troops shall remain in the Canal Zone but which side of the canal is not specified; secondly, Anglo-Egyptian condominium in the Sudan is to be provisionally unaltered pending a definitive agreement; thirdly, Egypt may dispense with British advisers; fourthly, the aerodromes shall remain in British hands, like other means of communication; fifthly, Britain shall continue the supervision of the external affairs of Egypt who shall only conclude foreign treaties with the consent of Britain; and sixthly, the Sirdar shall be an Egyptian officer.

*El Ahram* criticises the proposals and accuses Britain of treating Egypt as a mandated country. It anticipates that the conclusion of the treaty will be delayed pending a final settlement on the first two points.—*Reuter*.

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TO MEET.

## H.K.F.C.'S GREAT VICTORY.

[By "Wanderer."]

When Signalman Morris, the middleweight champion of the Colony, steps into the ring at the Lee Theatre on Saturday March 10th to defend his title against "Stoker" Morrell, of H.M.S. *Vindictive*, it will be the last opportunity Hongkong fans will be afforded of seeing this popular fighter in action. He has developed amazingly in the past few months, and as he is leaving for Home ten days after the contest, it can be depended upon that if he is capable of making the middleweight belt his own property he will do so.

Incidentally, it is to be the first and last time the Colony will view the new Stoker Morrell. That he is in a class very much distinct from that which he occupied when last in Hongkong, is very certain.

## Morrell's Advance.

The battle should be one of the finest seen in Hongkong for many a long day. Morrell's greatest asset when here before was an ability to absorb punishment, but to that capacity he has added considerable boxing ability and fighting powers. One has only to read a few Shanghai comments to understand the difference. One commentator says:—"He sheds waffles with no more effect than a duck sheds water. The British sailor appears to be concrete from the waist up" and he has certainly showed that he can hit. Appleton, highly touted Tientsin battler, reputed to be a k.o. artist himself and as tough as an elephant, went down for keeps after having been Morrell's playmate for a few rounds."

Morrell is recognised as the welterweight champion of Shanghai, and he has beaten the majority of the middleweights in addition. Another writer remarks, *inter alia*, that he has "followed Morrell's career from the time he first met Braunschweig when he was little more than a barnbattler, and have watched his improvement into a really skilful boxer as well as a born fighter, etc."

## First Class Fight.

The match at the Lee Theatre, on March 10th, will be over fifteen rounds, and both have met the famous Corporal Donald Duncan, of the Marines. Signalman Morris has shown enough in Hongkong to justify confidence that he will put up a first-class fight, and the public will be keenly interested to see if Morrell can bear out in practice what the Shanghai papers say about him.

The remainder of the programme is not to hand, but if it approaches anywhere near the standard of the last tournament a fine evening's entertainment is assured.

## ASTONISHING VICTORY.

## H.K. Club Eliminate the K.O.S.B.

The Hongkong Football Club's victory by two clear goals over the K.O.S.B., in the second round of the Senior Shield Competition yesterday, will go on record as the most remarkable performance of the season.

The Club were not fully represented, but scored once in each half, while the Borderers failed to reply, in spite of a penalty award before the game was ten minutes old. Scott, opened the scoring for the Club, and Taylor put the seal on the astonishing win in the second half.

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It is notable also that two K.O.S.B. goals were disallowed for infringements. A centre by Campbell was rushed into the net by Teal, but the point was struck off, while soon afterwards Stock shot past lodger and was given offside. The Club goal had several miraculous escapes, but the defence held until the end.

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A scheme is now under way to start a greyhound racing track in Singapore. The promoters are an Australian syndicate, and they will shortly float a local company to be known as the Singapore Greyhound Racing Association.

The capital to be asked for will be in the neighbourhood of \$1,000,000, and the proposal is to build a racing track with seating accommodation for between 30,000 and 40,000 people on a site of fifteen acres in Kampong Bahru Road.

If the scheme is successful 200 racing greyhounds will be brought up from Australia and sold to private owners. The syndicate have received legal advice to the effect that so long as the Association is run on the lines of a private club, with the use of the totalisator limited to members, the scheme is a legal one. The local representative of the syndicate is Mr. H. Koekkoek, of the Eastern Import and Export Company, Melbourn.

Mr. Koekkoek gave some particulars of the scheme to a *Straits Times* representative who sought him out at the Raffles Hotel. "I came up from Australia recently, representing a syndicate, with a view to forming a greyhound racing association in this city," he said. "I selected Singapore because I have known this city for the past fifteen years or so, having visited it on an average once a year from Australia on business. The other members of the syndicate besides myself are two well-known residents of Melbourne, Mr. Hugh Huxham and Capt. E. F. Chamberlain. The former has had a very successful career as a theatrical promoter, and is just the man to handle the undertaking we have in view."

## Suitable Site in View.

"We have succeeded in obtaining an option on what I consider to be the most suitable site in Singapore for a dog-racing track. It consists of fifteen acres on Kampong Bahru Road, about three-quarters of a mile from the Southern Hotel, so that it is conveniently situated in regard to the Chinese district. The whole scheme will be carried out on really first-class lines, and everything will be done to study the comfort of the public. The enterprise will be run purely on the lines of a private sporting club, similar to the Turf Club in Singapore. That is to say, only members of the Club will be allowed to use the totalisator. We shall have our own veterinary surgeon, not only to see that the dogs are fit for racing but to look after them at all times.

"It is proposed that the company shall, in the first instance, purchase two hundred greyhounds in Australia, bring them to Singapore, and sell them to the public. The Club would obviously not race the dogs themselves, but at first it may be difficult for local sportsmen to obtain greyhounds, and we have therefore made tentative arrangements to purchase that number. We do not anticipate any difficulty in getting the dogs in Australia. People are now breeding them down there, and there is no shortage. It is considered that dogs bred in Australia are much more likely to stand the Singapore climate successfully than those imported from England, and I know of no reason why racing greyhounds should not thrive in this climate.

## Seats for 30,000.

"We propose to build seating accommodation for between 30,000 and 40,000 people, together with kennels, offices, and so forth, and there will be ample parking space for cars—an important point in Singapore. The enclosure will be of a scale unknown in Malaya, and will be on the site of the K.O.S.B. defence on tenterhooks, and although territorially, the more precise passing and neat work of the Borderers enabled them to claim a distinct advantage, their forwards were lamentably weak in the goal-mouth.

It is notable also that two K.O.S.B. goals were disallowed for infringements. A centre by Campbell was rushed into the net by Teal, but the point was struck off, while soon afterwards Stock shot past lodger and was given offside. The Club goal had several miraculous escapes, but the defence held until the end.

"Tentative arrangements have been made to obtain the apparatus for the electric bars and an

OUR DAILY TALK ON  
HEALTH.SKIN DISEASES DUE TO  
OCCUPATIONS.

## VALUE OF DISINFECTION.

Specialists in diseases of the skin have a special classification of inflammations, which includes all of the irritations due to conditions occurring in industry.

A recent investigation of women workers in the porcelain and pottery factories of Russia revealed special changes in the skin and nails in female glaze pourers who work with lead glaze. These investigators found the skin of the hands and forearms of the workers very dry, rough and swollen; particles of the glaze adhered to the skin and could not be removed by washing.

The irritated spots became easily infected. The finger nails were thin and brittle with saw-like edges. Sometimes they cracked longitudinally.

## Turpentine Fumes.

In the decorating department where women decorators worked with colours thinned with turpentine, the skin also became infected frequently following irritation. The air in such rooms is constantly saturated with turpentine fumes, and it is known that the inhalation of turpentine may have severe effects on the kidneys.

In such industries arrangements must be made to carry off the turpentine fumes, and workers may be provided with rubber gloves to prevent irritations of the hands.

Workers in nickel plating plants sometimes develop an irritation of the skin known as "nickel rash." Apparently "nickel rash" is due to the fact that various cleaning fluids first irritate the skin and thus make it especially likely to be irritated by the nickel.

Petroleum, benzine, lime and potash are substances which may injure the skin seriously.

## Rubber Industry.

In the rubber industry dippers develop cracks on the inside of the hand and eruptions on the rest of the skin from the substance involved in rubber solutions. Irritations of the skin may be prevented by protecting the hands with gloves.

The chief danger arises, however, not so much from the original irritation as from the likelihood of secondary infection by performing bacteria, which can attack easily a broken skin, but which do not affect seriously an unbroken one.

Disinfection of the skin by the use of appropriate cleaning after the worker leaves his work will prevent much of this infection.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

RANGERS ONCE MORE TOP  
SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

London, Feb. 23.

In the Northern Section of the Third Division to-day, Rochdale playing at home to Rotherham, won by two goals to one.

The Rangers defeated Queen's Park by 4-0 in a Scottish League match.

Rangers once more top Scottish League.

OUR FOOTBALL  
COMPETITION.

## PRIZE OF \$50 WEEKLY.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English and Scottish Cup matches (to be played on Saturday next, March 3rd) set out in the coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided.

The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the *Telegraph* during the weeks August 29—September 24.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"  
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Matches to be played on March 3rd.

## ENGLISH CUP.

Blackburn v Manchester U.  
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## SCOTTISH CUP.

Albion Rovers v Rangers  
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Queen's Park v Partick  
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## ENGLISH LEAGUE.

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SECRETS OF THE  
PATENT OFFICE.

Some of the secrets of the Patent Office were given up when Mr. A. A. Gomme, Librarian of the Patent Office, lectured before the Institute of Patentees at the Caxton Hall on the material contained in the Library.

The pneumatic tyre, he showed, was invented as early as 1845, but proved unwanted until the arrival of the fast-moving bicycle; the fountain pen was patented in 1809, but found little acceptance, and roller skates were invented in 1823, but the bad state of the roads prevented their being appreciated.

After referring to these and similar inventions, Mr. Gomme said: "A keen observer of present-day tendencies in social and industrial affairs might obtain from these old records many ideas, which, reintroduced under more suitable conditions and with all the improvements in construction and detail made possible by the greater resources we have at our disposal to-day, could be put into successful practice with less trouble and at an earlier date than if they had to be thought out ab initio."

## Gold from Wheat.

The records of the Patent Office, he said, included many curiosities, dozens of perpetual motion machines, a portable gun which could be made to fire square bullets at Turks but round ones at Christians, a cure for consumption based on a mixture of brandy and garlic, and a means of preparing tea and coffee from mangold wurzels and of extracting gold from wheat. There was also a comparatively recent patent for the manufacture of edible gramophone records from chocolates and other sweet-stuffs.

To define what could be patented was difficult, but, briefly, any article might be patented that was novel, useful, not illegal, and that was a saleable commodity. Thus, it was not possible to patent a system of bookkeeping or a process for disguising cabbage as tobacco.

## Popular Fallacies.

Many valuable discoveries had never been patented, and Mr. Gomme gave as examples the wheel, the screw, the mariner's compass, printing, paper, gunpowder, and spectacles. A knowledge of the literature in the Patent Office library, he said, would enable the reader to detect the date on which the matches are played. No prize will be awarded for which a claim has not been made.

Before sending in your coupons, mark your forecasts on the duplicate list given below. Keep your duplicate lists and compare them later with the published results of the matches and if you find that you have eight or more correct send in a claim for the prize.

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## SHAMEEN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

## THE REPORT FOR LAST YEAR.

The report for 1927 of the Shameen Municipal Council, and the Budget estimates for 1928, to be presented at the annual general meeting of ratepayers, called for to-day, at 5.30 p.m., at H.B.M. Consulate-General, Canton, has been issued.

Of particular interest are resolutions to be submitted to the meeting for the sanction of an additional rate on the House Tax and the Land Tax, as well as several other resolutions concerning the Municipal administration.

The report states, *inter alia*, with reference to the police force, that the general behaviour and work of all ranks has been excellent. Although the disturbances in Canton did not affect Shameen directly, yet it called for extra duty from the police, and all ranks, Indian and Chinese, responded willingly.

Special mention must be made of Ng Yau (Police Interpreter), Himat Khan (Indian Crown Sergeant), and Wong Yuk-san (Chinese Crown Sergeant) for their devotion to duty throughout the year.

The discipline of the force had been very good, with minor offences reported numbering 24, and one dismissal for misconduct.

The report proceeds: Only ordinary routine work of patching roads was carried out during the year under review, and the total area so repaired, was 3,131 square feet.

A great number of holes in banyan trees were filled in with cement in order to reduce breeding grounds of mosquitoes.

Only work that was considered necessary to maintain the buildings in good repair was effected during 1927, but in the next year certain renewals, which have been kept back year after year will have to be taken in hand. Such work includes renewals to police sentry boxes, coal shed at the Waterworks, and replacement of rotten wood-work at the Waterworks and Police Quarters.

## The Boathouse.

During the year the question of repairs and renewals to the boathouse arose, and the Council's consulting Architect, Mr. Thomas Bramed, L.R.I.B.A., was requested to make a survey and report. In this report Mr. Bramed pointed out that a great amount of work should be carried out, and from tender he had received the cost of external repairs and renewals would amount to approximately \$2,445 apart from a sum of about \$600 for internal work payable by the Canton Rowing Club.

After a meeting between the Chairmen and Secretaries of the Council and Rowing Club it was decided to place the matter before the Ratepayers for their final decision as to whether these repairs and renewals should be carried out.

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and charged to the rates or whether, in view of the fact that the front of the Boathouse was now so blocked up with silt which was getting worse each year, it would be advisable to demolish the Boathouse altogether and allow the Rowing Club some other suitable site along the Bund at the end of the tennis courts if practicable. It appeared to the Council that it would only be a waste of money to carry out extensive repairs to the Boathouse which cannot be used by members when the tide is low.

The Council, however, proposes to make this subject clear by submitting it in the form of a resolution which, if accepted, empowers them to raise the required amount of \$2,445 by an additional tax on the Municipal administration.

The Municipal and recreation grounds have been maintained in good condition during the year with the exception of the football ground which has been kept open for troops for drilling and recreational purposes in addition to the usual football and hockey matches.

There are now 25 septic tanks on this Concession. One of these has its own pumping installation in accordance with notification issued by the Council under date of December 1st, 1926.

## Cemeteries Cared For.

Both the cemeteries have been maintained in fair condition during the year. A number of the headstones are in a rather shaky condition, and it will be necessary next year to provide a sum of about \$600 for the required work of upkeep. This is allowed for in "General Repairs and Maintenance." There were three burials during the year.

Both the Municipal Pier at Shameen and the Cemetery Jetty have been maintained in good repair.

The machinery and plant of the waterworks have been maintained in good condition and repair during the year under review. Owing to the extra demand on the works, the cost of repairs and upkeep amounted to a higher sum than was anticipated, but is well off by the additional revenue on water sales. Provision has been made for painting the tower and tank next year; this is considered to be urgently required to maintain its efficiency.

## Health Report.

The year under review has, on the whole, been a healthy one.

Typhoid.—There have been three cases, all Japanese, of this disease on the Island. One is pleased to see the increasing popularity of anti-typhoid inoculation amongst the public, which is probably the reason of the decrease in the incidence of this disease. The increase in the number of flush systems with the consequent elimination of the night-soil coolie may also be a factor both as regards typhoid and dysentery.

Dysentery.—A few cases, but a marked decrease on former years. Dengue Fever.—There were two severe epidemics, when a large proportion of the population, both

foreign and Chinese, were attacked. These epidemics were remarkable from the extremely severe nature of many of the cases, of greater severity than any of the former epidemics in my experience.

## Water Supply.

At times the water supply has not been quite up to the standard to which we have been used. This has been under the careful consideration of those in charge of the Waterworks, and following certain adjustments, we have every reason to hope that it will now return to its normal standard of excellence.

The Council have wisely prohibited any further flush systems being connected with the Waterworks as these throw a considerable strain on the plant.

The Council will therefore ask Ratepayers to vote for Resolution No. 1 so that "House Tax Refund Account" with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation may be recouped to the required sum to maintain the total at 10 per cent. of the total House Tax for 1928.

Owing to change in conditions prevailing during the year and on the recommendation of the M.O.H., the Council decided not to move in the matter of a Nursing Home at the Hongkong Bank Building, and now ask Ratepayers to vote for Resolution No. 2 empowering the Council to arrange a lease of the present rooms at the Victoria Hotel for a period of Five (5) years and also that the scheme of renting the first floor of the Hongkong Bank be dropped.

Safe Deposit Boxes to let.

CH. LEM. Manager.

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## BILLIARDS.

## PORTUGUESE INTERPORT AT HONGKONG.

The third annual billiards match between the Club Lusitano of Shanghai and the similar club in Hongkong will be played this year in the Colony, says the *Shanghai Times*. The Shanghai team leaves for the south on the Empress of Asia, sailing on March 13, and will return on the same vessel, due here on March 27. The following players have been asked to practise and will probably represent the local club:

G. M. P. Remedios, F. A. Alvares, S. Rivero, A. M. Souza, J. Medina, L.R. Barrera, V.F. Pereira, Mr. J. C. de Britto will accompany the team as manager, and Mr. A. da S. Braga as coach and scorer.

The team promises to be a good one.

Mr. Remedios, who is the captain, is well known in local billiards circles as a stylish and attractive player to watch. Mr. Alvares is a fast scorer and is a familiar figure as a finalist in the Junior League. Mr. Rivero is a left hander with plenty of experience, and is a difficult man to beat.

The remainder of the team are promising young players, who should derive a lot of benefit from the trip south.

Navy v. Dockyard Police.

The Navy team soundly defeated the Dockyard Police team last night at the Dockyard Police Club by 345 to 679. The scores were as follows:

Navy Dockyard Police.

E.A.R. Read 150 Birchall 124  
C.P.O. Best 150 Gossett 80  
C.E.R.A. Prealey 117 Jackson 150  
Jnr. Light 128 Neill 150  
E.A.R. Davis 150 Ellis 80  
S.B.P.O. Pyne 150 Howells 80

Total 845 Total 679

## Resolutions Submitted.

The following resolutions will be submitted to the meeting:

No. 1.—That the Ratepayers and Landowners do hereby authorise and empower the Council to raise an additional rate on the House Tax to cover the amount refunded to the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., of one-half of their House Tax for 1927, and also an amount to raise the total of "House Tax Refund Account" with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation to a figure representing 10 per cent. of the House Tax for 1928. (Total amount to be collected is approximately \$200 to \$400 subject to Resolutions 3 and 4 being carried).

In the event of the total applications exceeding the sum set aside, refunds shall be made pro-rata out of the amount of the fund available for that purpose only.

All applications for refunds shall be made to the Council not later than 31st December, 1928, provided that applicants can prove by documentary evidence that they have received less than the total assessed annual rental and that their premises have been vacant for not less than 8 months during the year.

The following will officiate:

Starter: Mr. W. S. Bailey.

Judges: Rev. W. Walton Rogers, M.A., Captain R. D. Thomas, Mr. P. Sands, M.A.

Time-keepers: Messrs. J. H. Hunt, O.B.E., J. W. Baldwin, P. White and R. Baldwin.

The prize, which have been very kindly given by Mr. R. M. Dyer, B.Sc., M.I.N.A., Mr. W. S. Bailey and Mr. E. Cook, M.B.E., M.I.N.A. will be presented at the close of the race.

Dr. J. Durran will be in attendance as Medical Officer, and the St. Andrew's Troop of Boy Scouts will be on duty at various points en route.

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## KOWLOON MARATHON.

## TO-MORROW LAST DAY FOR ENTRIES.

Intending competitors in the Kowloon marathon race to be run on Monday, March 5, are reminded that the closing date for entries is tomorrow. The race will commence at 4.30 p.m. sharp, and competitors are requested to be at the St. Andrew's Church Hall, soon after 4 p.m. as possible.

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## THE VANISHING VENGEANCE

By DOUGLAS NEWTON.  
Author of "Double Crossed," "Low Collaring,"  
"Green Ladies," &c.

## CHAPTER XXV.

"Yes," said Mr. Mainwaring, "there is the killing of the man Dudley to be considered, and perhaps it is as well to consider it now."

But he didn't consider it at once. First he rose and went to the door, spoke to the policeman outside for a moment, and presently that policeman, a big and muscular man, came into the room and stolidly took up a position near Martin Stannard, and between him and Otto Rigg and Stroach.

"This killing of Mr. Dudley," said Mainwaring conversationally, "apart from its ugliness, is interesting. The facts are that Dudley waited for you, Martin Stannard, on the Common. He saw you and apparently chased you. There was an exchange of pistol shots. Three shots. Later Dudley was found dying, shot through the back. His last words can be taken as an accusation of you, Stannard."

"Do you want my version of the story?" said Stannard, evenly, his face rather pale.

"Not yet. I think that it might confuse the line of reasoning it known facts' present. Later it might confirm that line. Now to get down to the facts. The crux of the matter as I see it was that three pistol shots were fired. That means, logically, that one of you must have fired one and the other two shots. Of course, one of you may have fired the whole three and that could not have been Dudley, since he was the victim of one. I think the just supposition is that one fired two and one one. That is a point to bear in mind."

"The next point is that Dudley was running after Martin Stannard, chasing him. Yet, Dudley was shot in the back. How was that? If Dudley was chasing you, he should have been hit in front—in the breast. The bullet went in at the shoulder blade, and was found lodged against the ribs.

"Of course, it can be argued that Dudley had turned and bolted at the sound of the first shot. Was you actually running away from you when you brought him down with one of two more shots that you fired. In fact, this might be held to be proved by the fact that—Dudley did not have a pistol."

All stirred and somebody gasped; Joye did not see who it was, her eyes were fixed on Mainwaring.

Dudley did not have a pistol. He did not fire any shots. He, therefore, may well have been running away—but he wasn't. When the bullet hit him in the back he must have pitched headlong on his face. And I ascertained from Mr. Rigg last night, and also from the police-sergeant, that he was found in this way . . . and that he must have been running in the direction of the Dark House when he fell. That is, he was chasing Stannard. He was hit in the back while chasing Stannard.

"To return to the one and two shots point. I went over the ground at dawn. On the ground between the point where Dudley fell and the Dark House—on the line along which Dudley was chasing Stannard—I found one empty cartridge-case. One. Stannard, it seemed, had only fired one shot. Anyhow, he had only fired one shot while he was being pursued—when logically, he could only have hit Dudley in the breast.

"He might have fired two other shots, though; for, in another place, I found two more empty cartridge-cases."

A deep "Ah!" came from somebody, but Mainwaring went on calmly.

"That place was a good deal to the rest of where Dudley fell—a great deal to the rear. A curious fact. I measured it off, and came to the conclusion that Stannard could not possibly have covered the distance between the two lots of empty cartridge-cases, that is between the shots, in the time in which every witness declared the three shots were fired. You follow? There is no doubt at all that between the first and the last of the three explosions no more than five to ten seconds elapsed. The distance between the empty cartridge-cases is, roughly, three hundred and twenty yards. Dudley falling about midway between. The record time for 300 yards is 36.5 seconds. That was the fastest time made by a runner trained and stripped for the dash, and running on a flat cinder track. None of these conditions obtained in Martin Stannard's case. He may have been fit, but he wasn't trained or stripped, and certainly that rough, hillocky Common is not a cinder track. It must have taken him over that record time—indeed, probably as much as a minute—to cover the distance.

"Therefore, as the shots were fired so close together, he could not have fired all of

MR. COOLIDGE  
ADAMANT.STATE MERCANTILE MARINE  
BILL.

## PRESIDENTIAL VETO.

Washington, Feb. 1. Mr. Coolidge has intimated broadly that if the Jones Shipping Bill which passed the Senate yesterday is also passed by the House—about this there is some doubt—he will veto the Bill. The Senate vote of 53 to 31 shows that the supporters of the measure cannot repass it over the veto.

Mr. Coolidge's objections to the Bill are that it would still keep the Government in the merchant shipping business, while he has vigorously urged that Government-owned vessels should be sold to private interests, and that the Government should retire from the ocean carrying trade as quickly as possible.

The Bill, as now drawn, not only continues the present policy of Government-owned ships, but provides for extensive replacements so as to modernise the vessels now in operation and make them stiff competitors of British and other foreign ships.

The proposal of the Transatlantic Corporation that the Government should advance £18,000,000 to build so-called "four-day" Atlantic ships is meeting with considerable opposition in both Houses of Congress.

## Pertinent Questions.

Members say they doubt the feasibility of the scheme and will wait further and more complete proof before they will vote for the appropriation. They doubt whether the vessels can make a sustained speed of 35 knots day after day, and point to what is well known, that even the greatest liners now afloat, whose highest speed is much less than 35 knots, must slow down in a North Atlantic gale. Any derangement of the schedule, it is emphasised, would turn a four-day crossing into a five-day crossing at least, and perhaps even more.

Furthermore, these members doubt whether any machinery now built or likely to be built in the immediate future can be driven at top speed for twenty-four hours a day and not rack itself to pieces. They think there would have to be almost complete overhaul after every voyage to keep the machinery in condition.

Part of the main street in Mill Hill, Blackburn, suddenly subsided recently and a hole 20ft. deep was left. Several motorists had narrow escapes from running their cars into the subsidence, which was apparently caused by the flood water from heavy rains overstraining the culvert underneath.

Both Otto Rigg and Stroach had risen to their feet, Stroach with a choking cry. The policeman alertly moved close to the rogues. "You can see what happened," said Mainwaring, swiftly. "Some one else fired the fatal shot. Some one who used weapons of this kind!" he held up Otto Rigg's revolver and Stroach's pistol. "These are both .32. Some one who was anxious to shoot down, shall we say, Stannard? Some one who thought he had done it; but in the moonlight had made a mistake, and had taken Dudley for Stannard. There is no doubt about it. Dudley was shot from behind, and the bullet that killed him was a .32."

"My Gawd!" cried Stroach. "It's a lie."

"Self-confessed," snapped Mainwaring. "It must have been you, Stroach. Otto Rigg, whose weapon is also a .32, was in the house at the time. Also his weapon is a revolver, and a revolver does not eject cartridges as they are fired. Your pistol is an automatic, which does eject cartridges, and it is a .22."

And also, Stroach, Miss Alleyne here heard you agree to shoot down Stannard—in self-defence; Stroach . . . Do you remember your conversation in the jeweller's?"

Stroach gave a little scream, and furiously turned on Otto Rigg. "It's you—you devil, what's brought me to this! You—you fiend!"

"You do, do you?" sneered Otto Rigg. "And may I ask if you have a warrant for my detention?"

"No need," said Mainwaring. "We don't need you for fraud. We hold you for being an accessory before the fact in the murder of Mr. Dudley."

Otto Rigg sprang up—he was an ugly sight. It was to be seen that he was trembling in every limb and that fear had captured him completely.

"You can't do it," he shouted. "It's wrong. It's illegal."

"I'm doing it," snapped Mainwaring. "This young lady has sworn information against you. Also we heard Stroach accuse you. You're under arrest, Otto Rigg."

Otto Rigg made a wild dash for the door. He flung Stannard aside, turned over a table in his flight. He reached the door at a bound, and Mainwaring stood watching him calmly.

He pulled the door wide open. The police-sergeant stood there waiting for him. Otto Rigg fell back with a scream, hands up, mouth gaping.

"Take him, sergeant," said Mainwaring, coolly. "He's arrested on the murder count."

Before Otto could recover a pair of handcuffs had been snapped on his wrists and he was taken away.

(To be continued.)

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## "NOT AN ORIGINAL WORK."

## CLAIM DISMISSED.

of Mr. Drabble that if he altered the advertisements they should remain the property of the defendants; at all events to the extent that they should be entitled as and when they thought fit, to insert them in the newspapers.

## Unprecedented Claim.

Mr. Justice Astbury, in the Chancery Division dismissed the action which related to a question of copyright claimed by an advertising agent in an advertisement inserted in the *Morning Post*. The plaintiffs, Harold Drabble, Ltd., of Norfolk-street, Strand, advertising agents, and Mr. Harold Drabble, the managing director, sought an injunction to restrain the Hycollite Manufacturing Co., of Victoria-street, and the *Morning Post*, Ltd., from publishing copies of an advertisement of the Hycollite Co., printed in the *Morning Post* on April 30 last.

Mr. Justice Astbury, giving judgment, said that the action was of a novel character. Mr. Drabble, the managing director of the plaintiff company, claimed that an advertisement which he prepared for the Hycollite company was a document in which he had the copyright, because he described it as an original literary work. It was in fact a mere colourable copy of an advertisement which the plaintiff in the circumstances of his employment has by contract rendered it impossible for him to have the right which he claims under the statute, that the contract was perfectly valid one, and that the Court has no right to grant the injunction claimed. I think the action is misconceived and must be dismissed with costs.

## Truth and Honesty.

Mr. Drabble was a most unsatisfactory witness, and his Lordship hesitated to accept his evidence on many points further than he was absolutely obliged. His Lordship compared what were described throughout the case as the three editions of the advertisement which was the subject of the action, namely, the *Daily Mail* advertisement, certain editorials in the *Morning Post*, and a booklet of the defendants. As to the edition of the advertisement inserted in the *Morning Post* on January 22, 1927, he said that advertisement contained matters which no truthful or honest man could possibly have inserted in the advertisement if he had had no other information than that of the *Daily Mail*, which Mr. Drabble swore was the fact.

The onus of proof was on the plaintiff to satisfy his Lordship that that advertisement was original, in so far as it contained various statements of fact and of language, and in his opinion he had not discharged that onus.

## Not Original.

His Lordship said he was of opinion that this advertisement, revised and prepared as it was, was not an original work of Mr. Drabble or his company. Assuming that it was an original literary work, and that the plaintiff or his company had some copyright in it under the statute, then there were many matters which required consideration before it could be decided that the plaintiff could, in the circumstances, succeed in the action for infringement.

It was at first sight somewhat amazing that an agent should have the copyright, in his employer's advertisement. The plaintiff was employed at his own request to make alterations and improvements in the Hycollite Company's advertisements. *Prima facie* that must mean that they were to remain the defendants' advertisements, which they were entitled to use, and that they in no sense became the property of the plaintiff to be used by him.

His Lordship firmly believed it was intended by both parties that the plaintiff should merely act as the agent of his principal in assisting him to get his advertisement into a popular and useful form.

## Hopeless Inference.

His Lordship doubted very much whether the plaintiff ever had the slightest notion until some time after the final quarrel between himself and the Hycollite Company, that he had any right or claim in this advertisement at all. It was perfectly hopeless to draw any inference from the course of conduct between the parties that Mr. Drabble ever obtained any right to produce or reproduce advertisements of another person, still less to have the collateral rights attached to copyright given by the Act.

If contrary to his Lordship's view, it was held that the plaintiff had produced an original literary work and had some copyright in it, it was quite plain that the copyright was only in a portion of it, and that as regarded his other portions the copyright belonged to the Hycollite Company. On the assumption, however, that he had some sort of copyright in some part of the advertisement then in his Lordship's opinion, he was not entitled to maintain this action. There must be inferred from the circumstances of the case a plain consent on the part

SOME SHANGHAI  
TOPICS.

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ally fell foul of the local Jewish community by bringing out a local edition of the so-called "Protocols of the Wise Men of Zion." He has certainly had a most interesting career.

## Shanghai's Newest Club.

The International Settlement and French Concession of Shanghai boast an aggregation of clubs, both recreational and social, which in point of numerical strength, is equalled by few places in the world, from the standpoint of size and population. This is a manifestation of foreign communal life which globe-girdlers coming to Shanghai discover at an early stage of their sojourn under these skies.

There has, however, hitherto been lacking a Jewish Club, which has been somewhat of an anomaly by reason of the fact that members of that race form an important element of the social and cultural life of Shanghai. The gap has been felt for some little time, and not least by the Jewish residents themselves, who have now decided to remove the anomaly by establishing a club of their own, to which end debentures have been taken up and quarters already rented in the central section of the international Settlement.

The new organisation will be styled the Macabean Club, the membership of which will comprise Jews from all parts of the world—French, German, Russian, Austrian, American, British, etc. It will be run along the accepted lines of modern clubs and enable the members to mix with one another as well as with members of other communities, to whom membership privileges will be extended similarly as in the case of other national clubs in Shanghai, whose membership represents almost every nationality.

It is interesting to note that the present residence in Shanghai of Sir Elly Kadoorie, "Marble Hall," was originally designed and built for the purpose of being used as the Shanghai Jewish Club, but the scheme fell through owing to lack of funds.

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Earl Jellicoe, who has been appointed President of the British Legion in succession to the late Earl Haig.

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4721 { Me and My Shadow  
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4725 { Aunt She Sweet  
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LETTER GOLF  
SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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EMPEROR OF CANADA	Apr. 18	Apr. 21	Apr. 24	Apr. 27	May 6			
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	May 9	May 12	May 15	May 18	May 27			
EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 30	June 2	June 5	June 8	June 17			
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Jun. 20	Jun. 23	Jun. 26	Jun. 29	July 8			
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## STUDENTS' QUARREL

## ALLEGED INTIMIDATION BY CLUB MEMBER.

Before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a schoolboy of the Yaumati School prosecuted another student on a charge of intimidation. A cross summons was taken out against the complainant accusing him of assault and demanding money.

The defendant of the original case was represented by Mr. L. R. Andrews with Sergeant Haywood presenting.

According to the evidence of the prosecution, the complainant of the original charge was, together with six school mates, in Waterloo Street at 11.00 a.m. on Thursday last. The defendant passed the group and brushed against the complainant.

When asked what he wanted the defendant requested the complainant to join his club. The complainant took no notice and continued on his way to school, the defendant following. On nearing the school, the defendant told the complainant to go to a certain tea house where they would talk the matter over.

The complainant went as requested, taking with him one of the school mates and his elder brother whom he had met in the street. At the tea house the defendant threatened to assault the complainant unless he joined the club. The complainant left the tea house but was later intercepted by the defendant and a number of friends in the street. After further discussion a Chinese detective intervened and the parties were taken to the Police Station. The complainant denied that he had assaulted the defendant.

His Worship bound both parties over to keep the peace.

## SIR MILES RETURNS.

## ENTERTAINED AT CHINESE MERCHANT'S CLUB.

Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister to Peking, returned to Hongkong yesterday afternoon on board H.M.S. Tarantula from Canton and Macao. Sir Miles left Hongkong last week and after paying an official visit to Macao, went direct to Canton where he stayed for several days.

His first appearance at a public function in Hongkong was last night when he was the guest of the two Chinese members of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Sir Shou-sou Chow and Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., at the Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building.

It is understood that Sir Miles met Mr. Henry L. Stimson, Governor-General of the Philippines, at Government House yesterday afternoon prior to the latter's departure for Manila.

Sir Miles Lampson will leave Hongkong on Friday on the s.s. Franconia, en route to Peking.

(Board), Mr. Ho Kwong, (chairman of the Twenty-four Commercial Guilds), Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. Ma Chi-chiu, Mr. Li Po-kwai, Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. Ho Kung-tong, O.B.E., Mr. Fung Ping-shan, Mr. Leung Kwai-dien, Mr. Lo Chung-kui, Mr. Li Shing-kui, Mr. Sum Pak-ming, Mr. Kwok Siu-ja, Mr. Li, Jowson, Mr. Mok Kon-sang, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Mr. Wong Ping-suen, Mr. Wong Ping-yin and Mr. Li Tse-fong.

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The Secretary for the Colonies has intimated to Dr. Raymond K. Butchart, Dundee, his appointment to the Chair of Mathematics in the new Government College at Singapore.

## FUNG SHUI CULT.

## CHINESE SEEK OMENS IN A TEMPLE SQUARE.

In Hollywood Road, opposite the antique Man Mow Chinese Temple, there is a big public square, which is owned by the Tung Wah Hospital. This square has always been infested by Chinese hawkers of every description, story-tellers, musicians and palmists, who all pay monthly rents to the Tung Wah Hospital for occupying space.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godown where they will be examined on 3rd March at 10 a.m.

No claims will be admitted unless notified and/or application for survey made in writing within seven days after landing of the goods, or in any case before the goods are taken delivery of.

Claims will not be recoverable unless complete accounts are sent within fourteen days of final discharge of vessel.

No fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th March, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

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## ARBITRATION PACT.

## FRANCE AND U.S. EXCHANGE NOTES.

Washington, Feb. 28. Mr. Kellogg has presented to the French Ambassador, M. Claudel, another Note with regard to the proposed Franco-American treaty outlawing war, in reply to the note from France of January 21.—Reuter's American Service.

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Akai Maru ... Wednesday, 25th Apr.

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Muroran Maru ... Thursday, 1st Mar.

Sado Maru ... Saturday, 10th Mar.

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NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

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Lyon Maru ... Saturday, 10th Mar.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang &amp; Rangoon.

Yamagata Maru ... Saturday, 3rd Mar.

NAGASAKI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

Akai Maru ... Friday, 16th Mar.

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For Dollar a.s. President McKinley for Manila on Feb. 23.—Lt. Donald J. Balley, Capt. Edgar W. Burr, Miss Betty Ellen Burr, Miss Katherine N. Burr, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Calhoun, Mstr. A. D. Calhoun, Mr. M. J. Cavanaugh, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Dallas, Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Halstead Dorey, Miss Edna Dorey, Mr. William M. Fitzgerald, Miss Eleanor S. Bumble, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Gibson, Mrs. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. E. Harding, Miss Mae Harding, Mstr. Theodoor Harding, Mstr. William L. Harding, Mr. G. M. Heaphy, Mr. E. Hilton, Mr. S. E. Jackson, Comdr. J. James, Mrs. Kathleen James, Mr. G. Harold Kentley, Mrs. A. J. Levine, Miss Lois C. Lillo, Mr. Scott Lintner, Mr. F. M. Loomis, Miss Ellen Martien, Mr. B. H. Brown, Mr. John Elam, Mr. P. W. Spalding, Mr. Modesto Farolan, Mr. Henry F. Misewitz, Dr. H. W. Miller, Lt. and Mrs. W. W. Pace, Mr. C. M. E. Pereira, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Pruesman, Miss M. Pruesman, Miss V. Rosenstock, Major and Mrs. T. A. Seear, Mr. and Mrs. Ewald E. Selph, Capt. F. M. Sharp, Mr. J. L. Shaw, Mr. Felipe Say Bin, Mr. W. A. Spies, Mr. George N. Spiva, Miss Mildred L. Sproul, Gov. Gen., and Mrs. Henry L. Stinson, Mr. C. Teerthas, Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Thomas, Mr. G. L. Townsend, Mrs. Lydia Tayar, Mr. Peter J. Wester, Col. Blatton Winship, Mr. and Mrs. L. Wright, Mr. Lee Yung, Mr. Yoshinori Yokomitsu, Mr. M. M. Romualdez, Mrs. Marie Jobson, Mr. E. Romualdez, Mr. P. Payawal, Mr. J. T. Santing, Mrs. M. Romualdez, Mr. Eusebio S. Reyes, Dr. P. R. Verosin, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Beynolds, Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Unjeng, Mrs. M. H. Johnson, Per Dollar a.s. President Taft for San Francisco on February 28.—Mother Anna Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Lancelot E. Gowen, Mr. Ewald Hueyfield, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Moss, Mr. N. B. Bach, Mr. Bradley Goodey, Mr. A. F. Vitale, Mr. D. Kirkham, Mr. Wm. F. Chaplin, Mr. James F. Howard, Mr. Geo. L. Lambert, Mrs. Jeanne Von Kauffman, Mrs. Neil R. Applegate, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ford, Mrs. Hilda M. Ganard, Mr. John A. Ganard, Mrs. Bessie M. Howitt, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hoffman, Mrs. Bertha O. Jones, Mrs. Mary Morgan, Lt. Von Fitch Rathbun, Mrs. Helen B. Rathbun, Mrs. V. P. Whitney, Miss Patricia Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. C. Hornell, Miss Nancy Hornell, Miss Remedios, Mrs. H. L. Yung, Miss Ying, Mr. H. L. Yung, Mr. Geo. Yung, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Courtney, Mr. H. K. Banks, Mr. R. M. Mange, Mr. Septimus Letts, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Whisman, Mr. H. S. Cashon, Mrs. C. B. Hartford, Mr. Chin Shan Hong, Mr. Chen See Chun, Mr. Jang Chun, Mr. Loo Chee, Mr. Loo Jock Dong, Mr. Chan Wing, Mr. Li Chown, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Moore, Mrs. M. C. Fung, Mrs. M. Mudford, Mr. A. Patterson, Mr. P. M. Boutross, Miss Oi Poon Kew, Mr. K. Lam, Mrs. B. D. F. Beith, Mr. J. North, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wick, Mr. W. T. Alexander, Admiral Luigi Maraglia, Mr. M. Yusuhara, Mr. Ng Leong Tari, Mr. B. E. De Kand, Mr. A. Bonnito, Mr. B. E. De Kand, Mr. Lam King Tai, Mrs. C. B. Mullins, S. Iwats, Mr. N. S. Brown, Mr. H. W. Robertson, Mr. R. A. May, Miss M. C. N. May, Miss M. Robertson, Mr. Y. Ishiwatai, Mrs. J. D. Chippie, Mr. Lui Wang Fun, Mr. W. H. Chu, Mr. W. Weber, Mr. Choi Lan Po, Mr. Fok Hin Fu, Mr. Lim Chik Sheung, Mrs. Chan Jen Wan, Miss Chin Bon Wan, Miss Chan Jee Jan, Mrs. Choy Guey Woon, Miss Bui Fang, Mrs. Choy Guey Foy, Miss Shu Lan, Mrs. Chong Fung, Mr. K. L. Luecke, Mrs. K. L. Kwong, Miss Edith Kwong, Mr. Richard Kwong, Mr. N. M. Currie, Mr. Frank Austin, Mr. Chan Pak Nam, Mr. D. A. MacDonald, Mr. Mok Hing Wing, Mr. Mol Chan Sam, Mr. Cheung Tang Chee.

## RETURNING HOME.

## DETAILS LEAVE SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Feb. 23.—Five hundred details of the Shanghai Defence Force proceeded home by the City of Marseilles this morning.

Colonel W.F.L. Gordon, the Commandant of the Shanghai Volunteer Defence Corps, is going home on the P. and O. s.s. Macedonia. He has retired from the position owing to his health having broken down. According to official sources, Colonel Gordon was primarily responsible for the advice to the War Office resulting in the urgent despatch of the Shanghai Defence Force a year ago (while meanwhile making excellent dispositions for the defence of the International Settlement) which almost certainly saved the Settlement from plunder.—Reuter.

## PIRATES AT WORK AGAIN.

## SHIP SATURATED IN KEROSENE.

Foochow, Feb. 28.—The Chinese passenger steamer Hunan, which left Shanghai on 24 inst. arrived at the Pagoda anchorage to-day after a thrilling though unhappy experience at the hands of fourteen pirates, who after saturating parts of the ship in kerosene, threatened to set her afire and scuttle her if a gun boat were in sight.

Not content with five cases of piece goods and \$10,000 from the passengers the pirates made off with four passengers and the ship's shroff.—Reuter.

## SEVERE FLOODS.

RIO STREET TURNED INTO TORRENTS.

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 28.—Twelve fatalities were caused by severe floods in the southern part of the city yesterday. Following heavy rain, water poured down from the hills, turning the streets into torrents.—Reuter's American Service.

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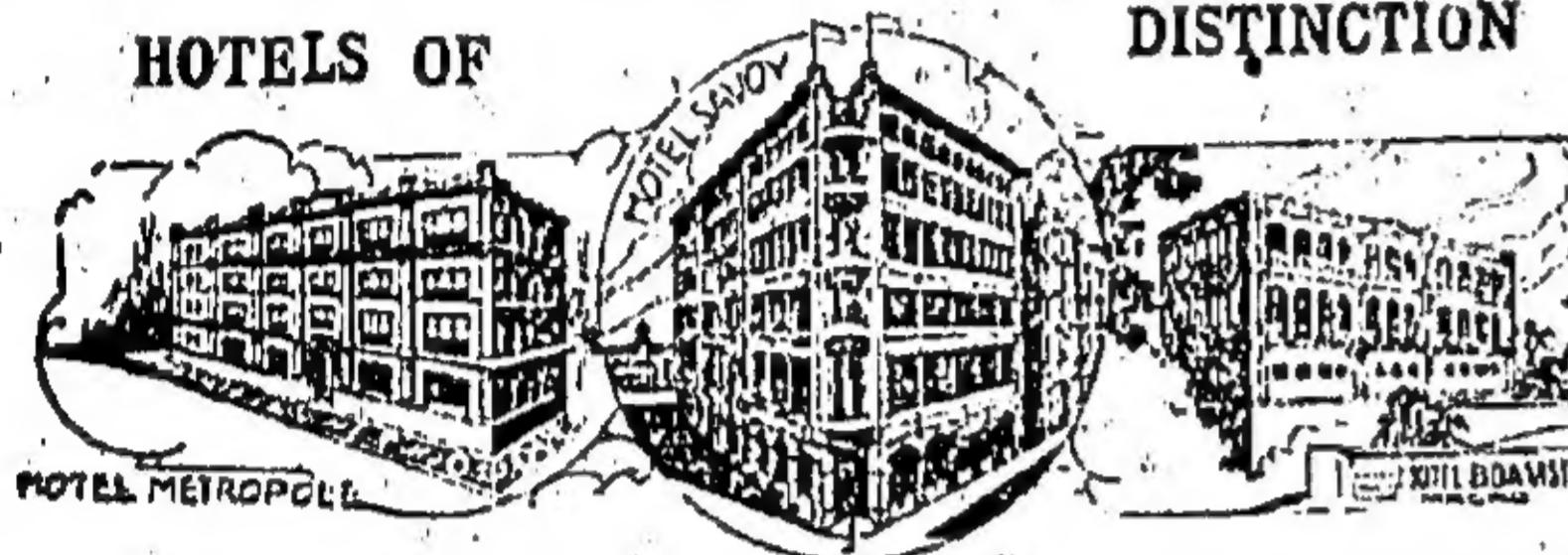
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## CINEMAS IN SCHOOLS.

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A cinema apparatus showing educational films may shortly take its place in Shanghai schools as a silent but convincing teacher, if proposals made at a meeting of the Education Committee are approved.

The use of the cinema for educational purposes was brought up at a meeting of the Committee when members discerned from the 1928 estimates that provision was made for the temporary engagement of teachers to replace those on long leave. Consideration was given as to whether these engagements in all cases were justified.

In a memorandum the Educational Assistant to the Council declared that if the teaching staff was organized previously to meet the contingency of long leave there should be no necessity to re-

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City of Victoria, Hongkong.OUTLAWING WAR  
TREATY.MR. KELLOGG'S REPLY TO  
M. BRIAND.

## CONDEMNS THE LIMITS.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The State Department has issued the text of Mr. F. B. Kellogg's reply to M. Briand's Note in regard to the treaty outlawing war.

Mr. Kellogg demands that the Treaty shall clearly set forth the determination of the parties to abolish war among themselves and condemns the effort to limit the scope of the treaty to "aggressors."

He contends that exceptions and qualifications stipulating when the nations would be justified in going to war would weaken the treaty, and he concludes again proposing that France join the United States in inviting Japan, Italy, Britain and Germany to consider the Franco-American exchanges of views.

He hopes to get the principal Powers together for the purpose of concluding a multilateral treaty proscribing a recourse to war.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## Tilt at the League.

Mr. Kellogg says that if the members of the League of Nations cannot without violating the terms of the Covenant agree among themselves and with the American Government to renounce war, then it seems idle to discuss either bilateral or multi-lateral treaties.

He points out that the recent Pan-American Conference passed a resolution condemning war as an instrument of national policy and it is significant that of 21 nations represented at the Conference, seventeen are members of the League of Nations.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## MUSICAL COMEDIES.

MR. JUSTICE SHEARMAN'S  
CONFESSION.

Mr. Justice Shearman in the King's Bench Division confessed that he took little notice of the dresses in a musical comedy which he thought he had seen in the provinces, though he did not mind saying that he was pleased with the performance. "These plays have only a general impression on me," he added, "and I do not regard particular details."

The play concerned was "Peg o' Mine," and the action before the Judge concerned dresses ordered for the production. It was brought by Mr. Alexander Herbert Oliver Riddell, trading as Chez Beth, of Bolton-street, Piccadilly, against Mr. Norman John Norman, of York-buildings, Adelphi.

Mr. Mr. Richard Levy, for Mr. Riddell, said that the claim was for £195, balance of an account the total of which was £570, for the dresses supplied, as he said, to Mr. Norman. In his defence Mr. Norman said the goods were not supplied to him but to a company called Carabak, Limited, in which he was interested.

Miss L. Owen, manageress to Mr. Riddell, said Mr. Norman told her that he was to produce "Peg o' Mine," with Peggy O'Neill in it. There were to be ten of one kind of dress and ten of another, and some for the principals.

Mr. Norman John Norman in his evidence said he was managing director of Carabak, Limited.

Mr. Justice Shearman—What are the objects of the company?—To exploit theatrical productions.

His Lordship said that the order was given personally by Mr. Norman. It was a matter of fact, and he accepted the evidence for Mr. Riddell. There would be judgment for the plaintiff for the amount claimed with costs.

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:

1. The only mammals that pass the winter in one of their winter signs are bats, shrews, or chrysalis. 2. Both are four-sided figures, with sides equal in length and with opposite sides parallel, but a square has all four sides equal in length and all four angles are right angles. 3. (a) Oliver Goldsmith, (b) John Milton, (c) Christina Rossetti. 4. Three crochets in a bar, six quavers in a bar, and six eighth notes in a bar. 5. (a) New Zealand (South Island), (b) South Africa. 6. Because temperature is affected not only by distance from the Equator, but also by large masses of prevailing winds, and ocean currents. 7. (a) The British Isles, (b) Rivers of wool to settle in the Eastern Counties and giving them protection. 8. The univeral law of England, based on immemorial usage. 9. (a) The "Lure of Love," (b) "Lure of Life." 10. (a) The drawers of the cheque have insufficient money at the bank to meet the amount for which the cheque is drawn. 11. Punch

SERIOUS FRAUDS  
ALLEGED.

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## Criticising Dead Man.

Sir Henry Gollan remarked that Soong was now dead.

Mr. Potter regretted he would have to criticise Soong. It was distasteful to have to criticise a dead man but, he asked, was it not better to criticise a dead man than to convict the living of fraud.

Although the trial judge refrained from criticising Soong because he was dead, he (Mr. Potter) thought such criticism would explain a good many matters.

Soong was the interpreter concerned in the O.J. action. They had been told by Mr. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings, Dennis and Bovley, the solicitors, on behalf of the appellant, that Soong was not in fact their interpreter at that time, but had resigned. However that might be, Soong had signed certain documents and had described himself as the interpreter.

## "Grasping."

One of the allegations against Soong was that he agreed to help the parties in the action if they would pay him the sum of 10 per cent. of the property recovered. They had actually traced cheques to his banking account.

In the judgment it was stated that it was rather "high" for Soong, that it was "grasping" but not dishonest. Mr. Potter respectfully commented that that depended on the view one took.

Whether the two infants made fraudulent representations with regard to their age or not, the interpreter concerned had every motive for seeing that the transaction went through and that no awkward points were raised, to hold it up.

The infant plaintiffs never had it made clear by Soong, or by the other interpreter, or by the solicitors concerned, that if they were under age, the document they signed was so much waste paper.

## Never Told Meaning.

Mr. Potter said he would impress on the mind of the Court, the total absence by any party concerned to bring it home to the admitted infants, the meaning of coming of age.

With regard to Soong the importance of the charge of fraud against him was not to vilify the man as they would much prefer him to be alive. Soong was acting for the plaintiffs and on the other side the interpreter was Leung. It might surprise their Lordships to hear that although he was acting for the defendants it was suggested by Soong that Leung should also help the plaintiffs to get the settlement through. Leung was to get 5 per cent. not grasping as Soong.

Mr. Potter referred to the hearing of the case and said cheques were produced which had been paid to Leung, and the only explanation offered by the other side was that the cheques were handed to him by Soong in payment of a debt by another man who was not produced. Counsel did not think that could be accepted by anyone. It was obvious that the Judge in his judgment did not accept it.

Dealing with the arrangement come to by the parties, Mr. Potter said the settlement professed to be a settlement of the whole dispute.

## Payments To Interpreters.

The trustees were to divide up the settled property. It was estimated that each beneficiary would receive \$52,764.70. A number of people were to get cash but the two plaintiffs together with four other brothers were to have certain property assigned to them. The property was valued at seven lakhs of dollars. Mr. Potter explained that a mortgage had to be paid off and eventually by raising \$388,000 the six beneficiaries each got an equal share. They had to raise another mortgage, mainly to pay the 10 per cent. and 5 per cent. for the interpreters which required \$46,000.

Mr. Potter said that all the two infants had got was an interest in a piece of property which had been mortgaged for five lakhs and in addition the payment to each of them of cash, in one case \$4,293 and in the second \$5,296.

## No Advantage To Lie.

It was an impossible position to place the infants in. They had got two sums in cash and an equity of redemption in the property. They were liable on the face of the mortgage deed to pay five lakhs to either of the mortgagees who chose to sue them. They had been adjudged to be liable to pay the whole of the mortgage money.

Mr. Potter said the boys were only getting their right share of settled property. There was no advantage to them to lie about their age. It was ludicrous to say that if they had lied about their

HONGKONG STRIKE  
COMMITTEE.TO BE DISSOLVED BY CANTON  
GOVERNMENT.

## "RED" INCLINATIONS.

Chinese reports state that the Government at Canton intends shortly to dissolve the 1925 Hongkong Strikers' Committee. This Committee still exists in the form of a Head Labour Union, which has under its control a considerable number of labourers.

Last year, it was reported that one of the 1925 Hongkong strikers was paid by the Canton Government a sum of \$100 and after these payments were made the Government ordered that all boarding houses and dining halls of strikers be closed. This order was subsequently carried into effect. However, the Committee was allowed to remain in existence and was given a considerable monthly allowance for maintenance purposes.

During the recent anti-Red campaign in Canton, it was revealed that most of the "Red" suspects taken into custody were labourers under the control of this 1925 Committee, and because this body has been keeping in close touch with the Communists, the Government, says a Chinese report, has resolved to dissolve it at an early date.

WHARF COMPANY  
PROGRESS.

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steel craft for carrying timber. These are used for the discharge of timber steamers in the stream, which hitherto discharged alongside a wharf. This released a valuable berth which is now used by vessels bringing general cargo. The amount of \$2,500 written off lighters were only delivered towards the close of the year.

## Big Increases.

Comparing last year's work with that of the previous year, we landed 871,065 tons of cargo, against 647,067 tons; 814 steamers discharged at the wharves, against 739 in 1926. These figures show an increase of 224,000 tons and 75 vessels. We landed 90,000 tons from vessels in the stream and transhipped a total of 350,000 tons.

I do not think there is anything else that calls for comment, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts. When this has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

## Business Matters.

The report and statement of accounts were unanimously adopted after being seconded by Mr. A. H. Compton.

On the proposition of Mr. J. T. Bagram, seconded by Mr. W. S. Bailey, the appointments to the Board of Directors of Mr. A. W. Hayward and Mr. C. Gordon Mackie were confirmed.

Mr. J. H. Taggart proposed that Mr. A. S. Gubbay and Mr. Frank Austin be re-elected to the Board of Directors. This was seconded by Mr. A. Murdoch and was carried unanimously.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, and Messrs. Linslade and Davis were re-elected auditors on the proposition of Mr. A. Piercy seconded by Mr. R. K. Valentine.

The chairman announced that dividend warrants can be obtained on application on or after tomorrow, March 1.

Directors supporting the chairman were Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. A. S. Gubbay, Mr. A. W. Hayward, Mr. C. Gordon Mackie, Mr. T. G. Weall, Mr. A. Cameron, and the secretary, Mr. F. H. Crapnell. Shareholders present were Messrs. J. T. Bagram, W. S. Bailey, R. K. Valentine, J. H. Shaw, A. Murdoch, L. S. Greenhill, C. H. W. Kew, F. C. Hall, N. V. A. Croucher, and Fung Kong-.

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